

# Space Opportunities for Cosmic Ray Science

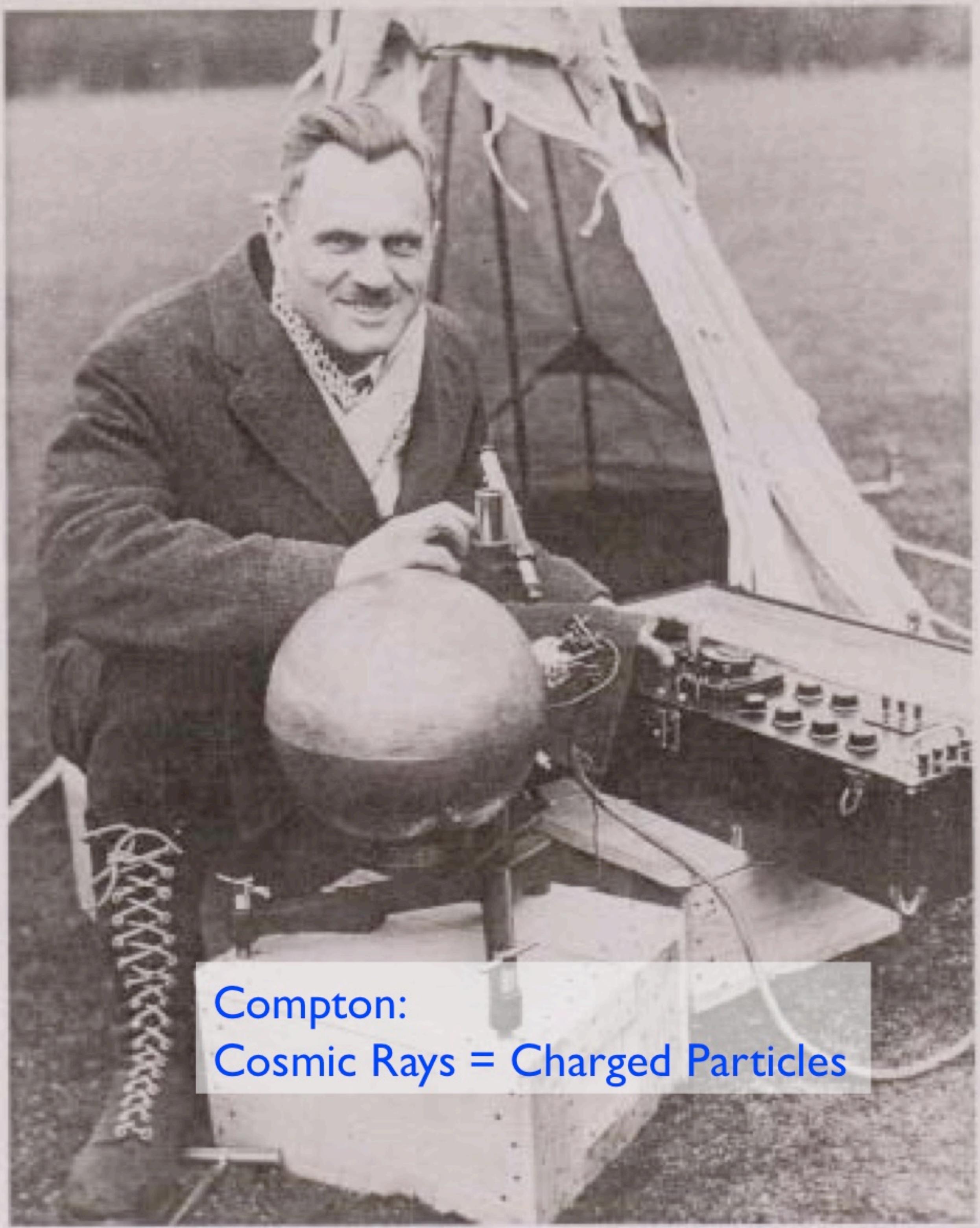
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# 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

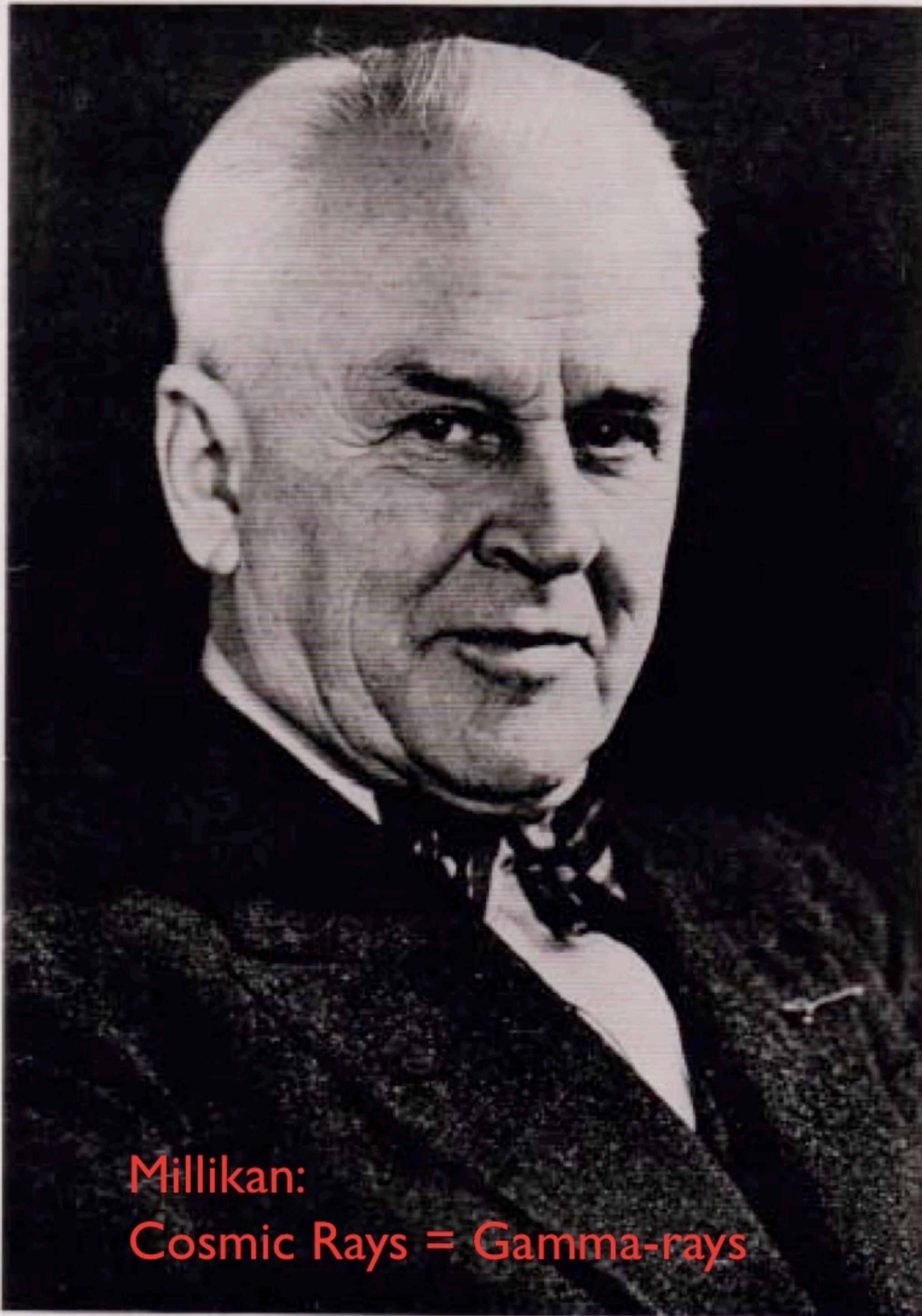


1912 - Victor Hess  
Balloon flights established the  
cosmic nature of ionizing  
radiation



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Cosmic Rays = Charged Particles

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# The New York Times

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December 31, 1932

## MILLIKAN RETORTS HOTLY TO COMPTON IN COSMIC RAY CLASH

Debate of Rival Theorists  
Brings Drama to Session  
of Nation's Scientists.

### THEIR DATA AT VARIANCE

New Findings of His Ex-Pupil  
Lead to Thrust by Millikan  
at 'Less Cautious' Work.

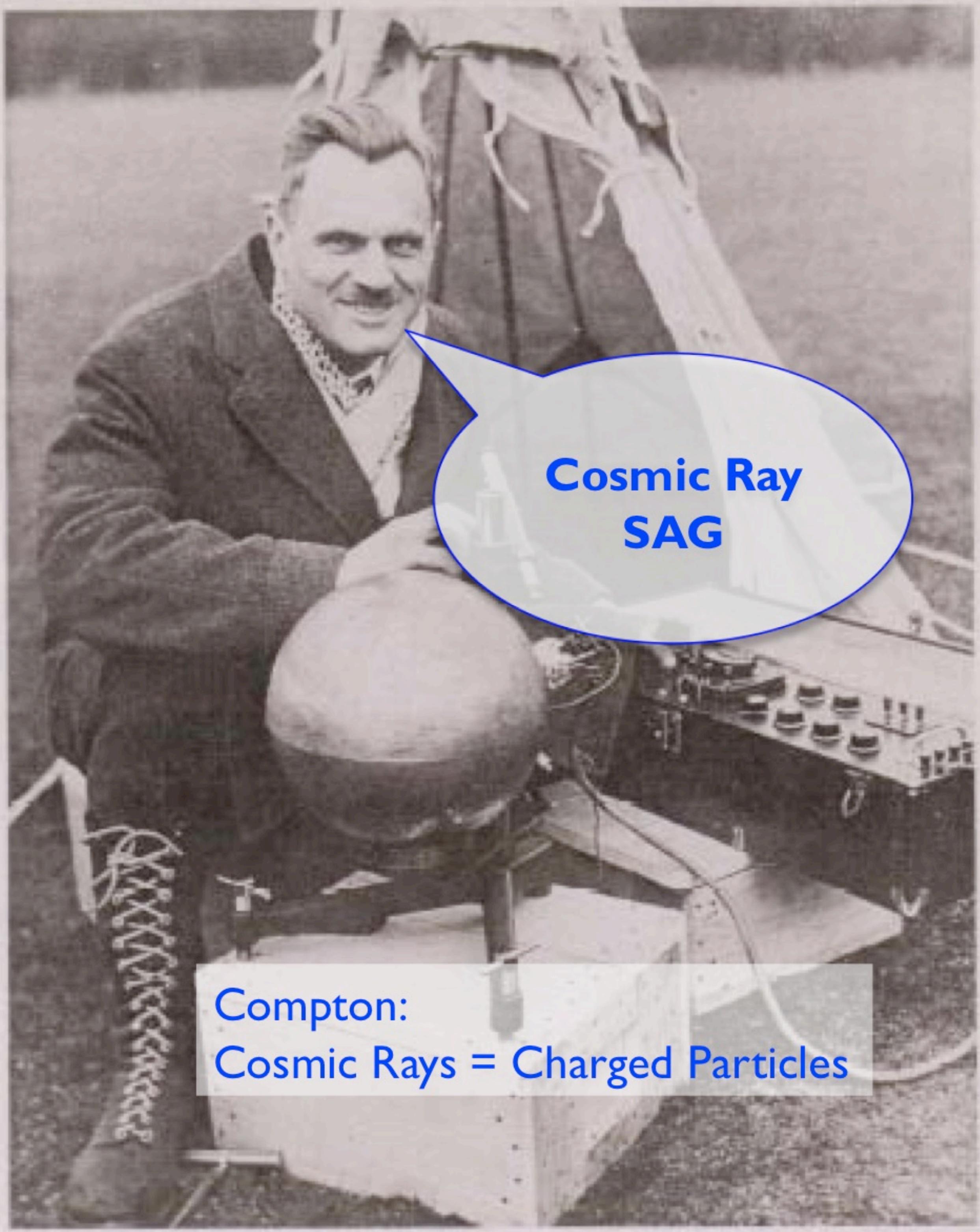
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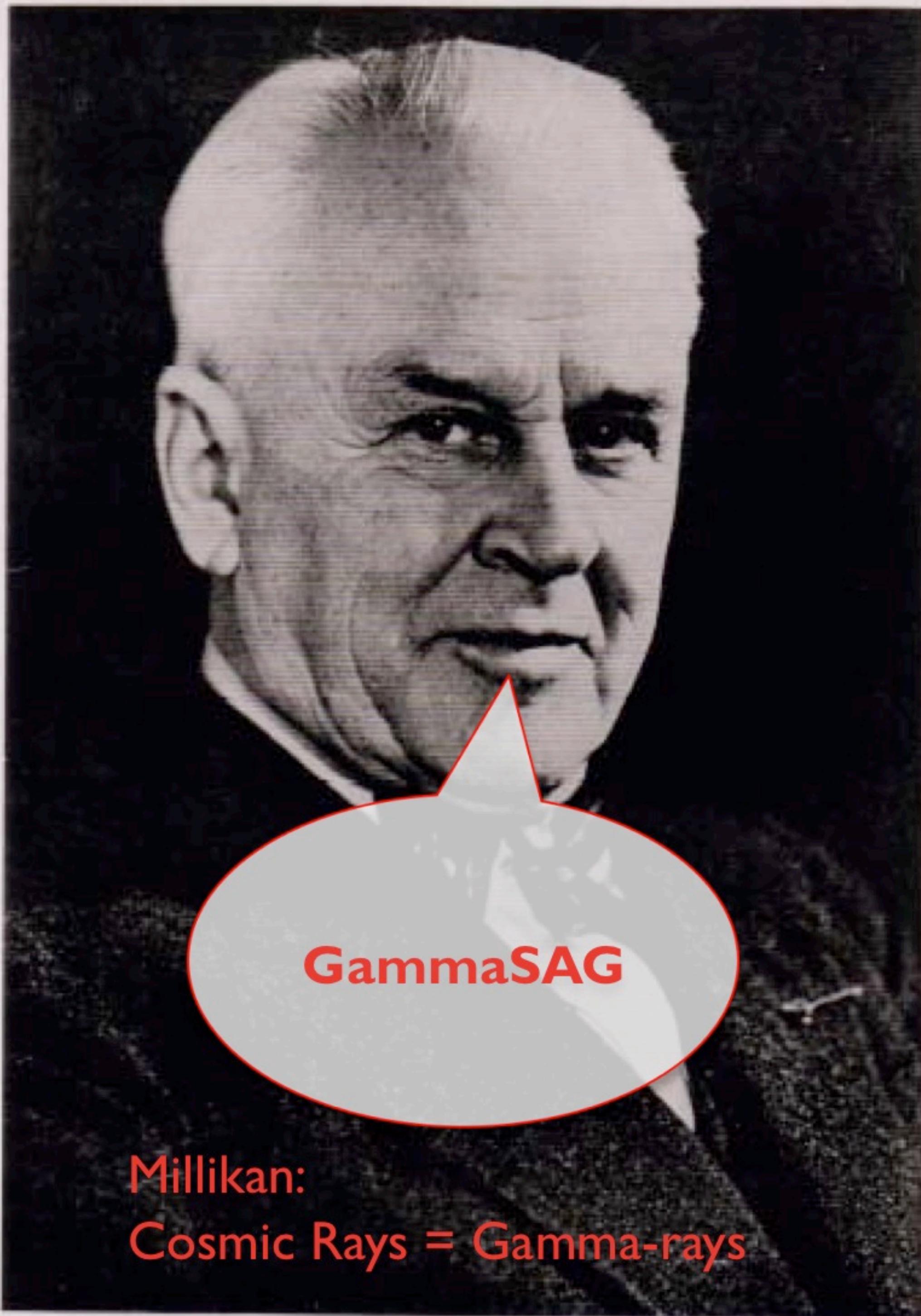
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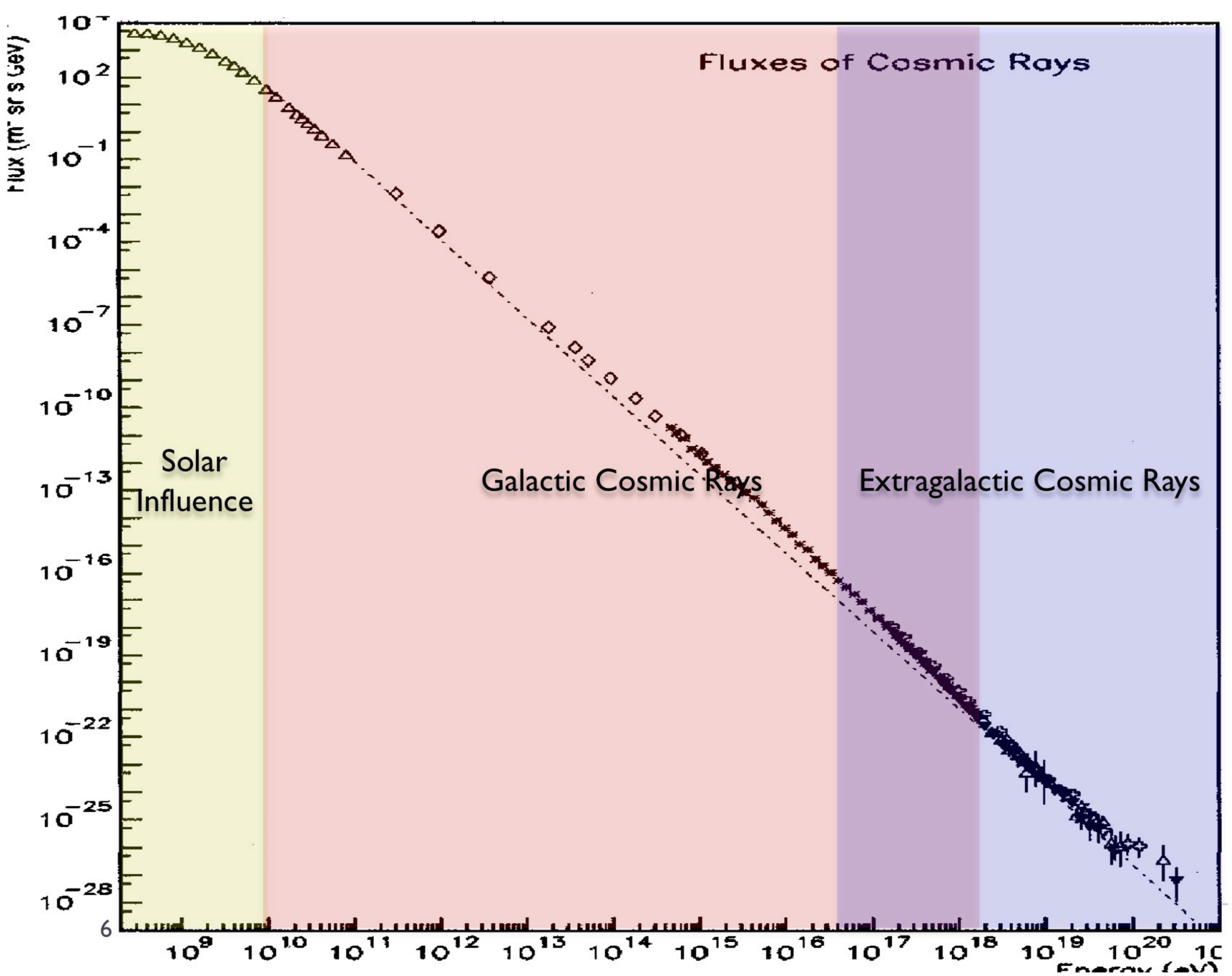
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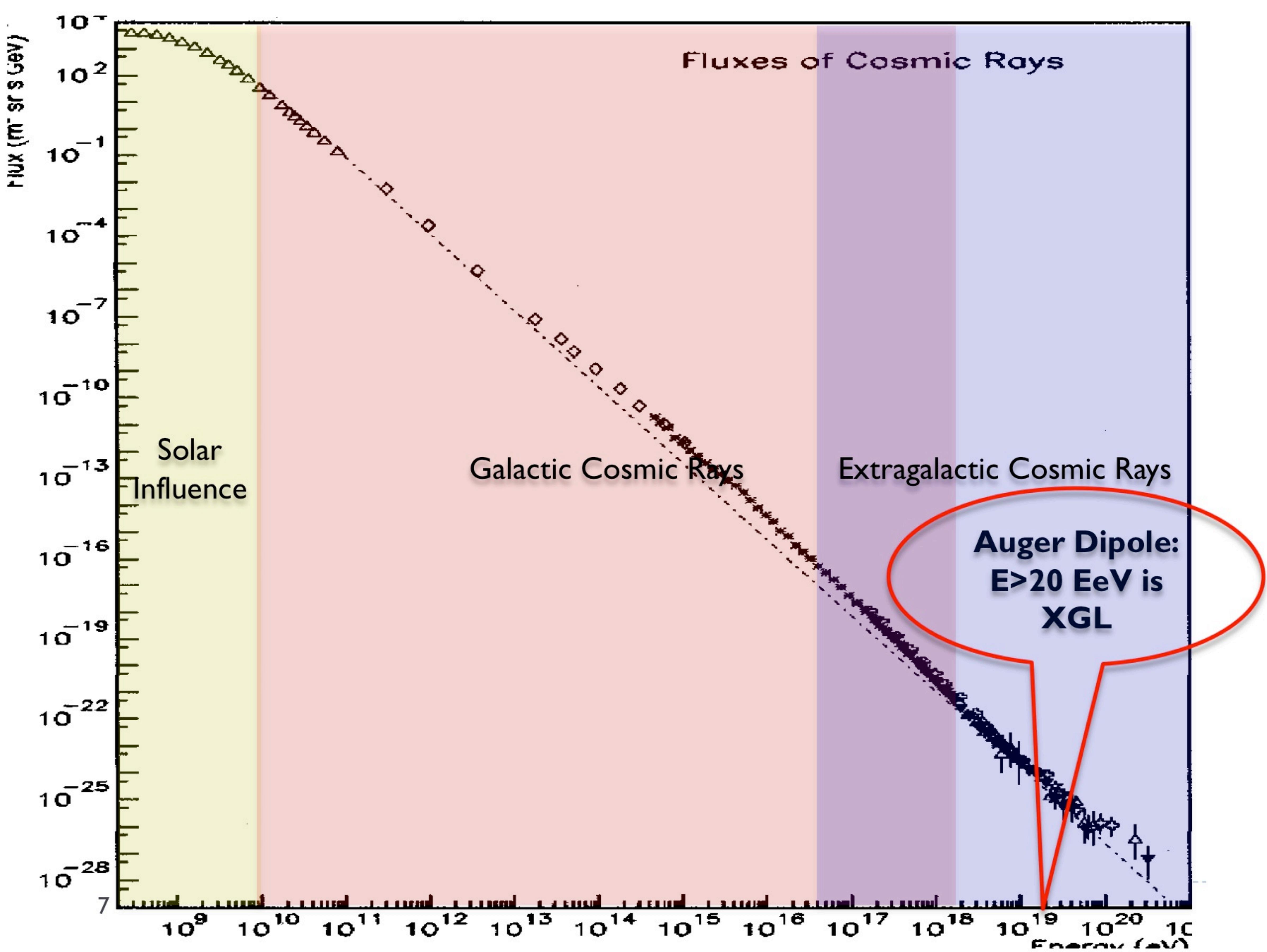
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# Main Open Questions in CR Science

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- ▶ **Origin of Galactic Cosmic Rays (GCR):**
  - ▶ What are the accelerators?
  - ▶ What are they accelerating?
  - ▶ How do they propagate in the Galaxy?
  - ▶ Where is the Transition between Galactic & ExtraGalactic CRs?
- ▶ **Origin of ExtraGalactic Cosmic Rays (XGCR):**
  - ▶ What are the accelerators?
  - ▶ What are they accelerating?
  - ▶ How do they propagate to Earth?
  - ▶ At what Energy COSMIC RAY ASTRONOMY begins?
- ▶ **How do Cosmic Rays Affect the Earth, the Solar System, the Galaxy, other Galaxies, and the formation of Stars and Galaxies?**





# Questions Related to CR Science

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- ▶ Indirect Dark Matter Searches
  - ▶ WIMP in the Galactic Halo:  $e^+$ ,  $e^-$ ;  $p$ , anti- $p$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\nu \dots$
- ▶ Probe of Particle Interactions above LHC energies
  - ▶ Ultrahigh Energy Cosmic Rays ( $E_{cm} > 100$  TeV)
  - ▶ Ultrahigh Energy Neutrinos
- ▶ Searches for Exotic Components of Matter:
  - ▶ antinuclei
  - ▶ strangelets
  - ▶ primordial black holes

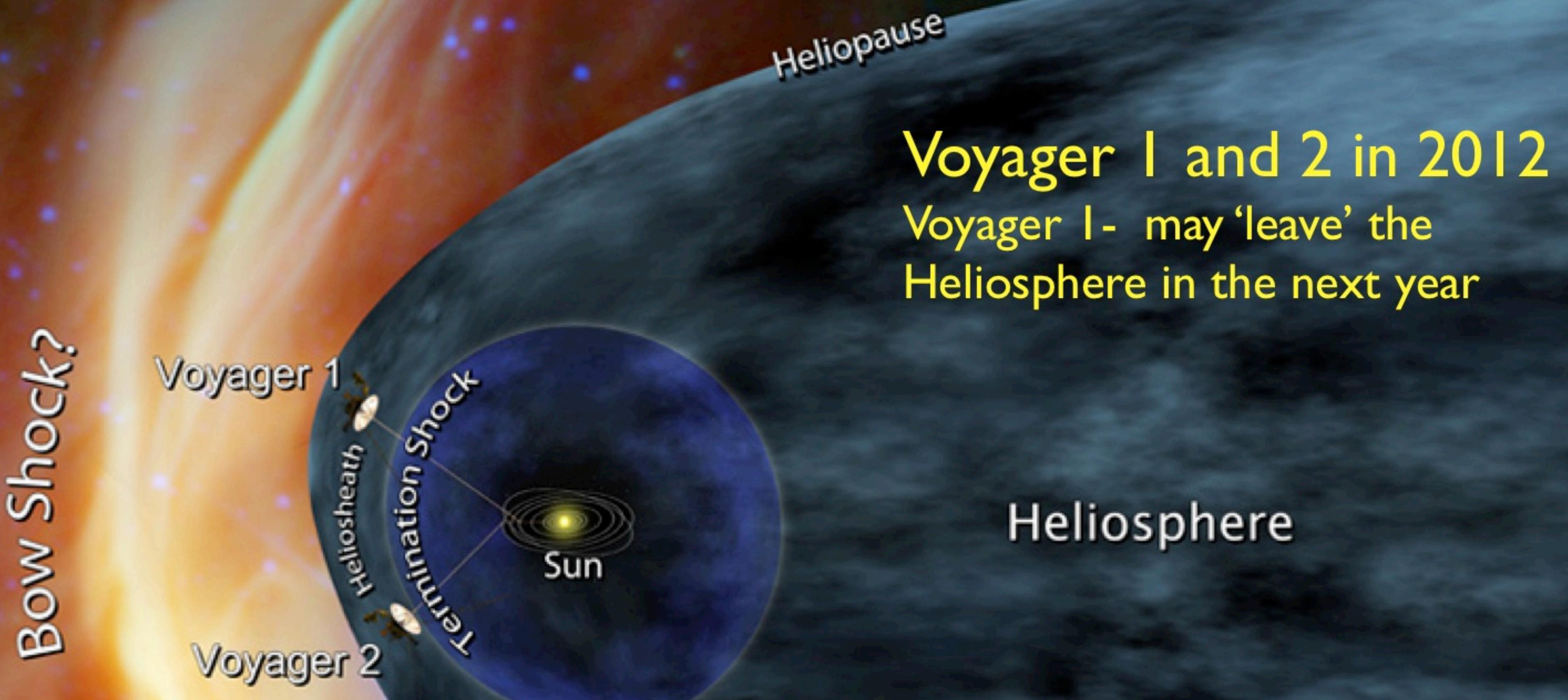
# Opportunities in Space

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- ▶ In Situ Measurements of Solar System & Neighborhood
  - ▶ Voyager I & II

# The Great Voyage

1977 to now and onwards...



Voyager 1 and 2 in 2012  
Voyager 1- may 'leave' the  
Heliosphere in the next year

Heliosphere



Ed Stone & Voyager

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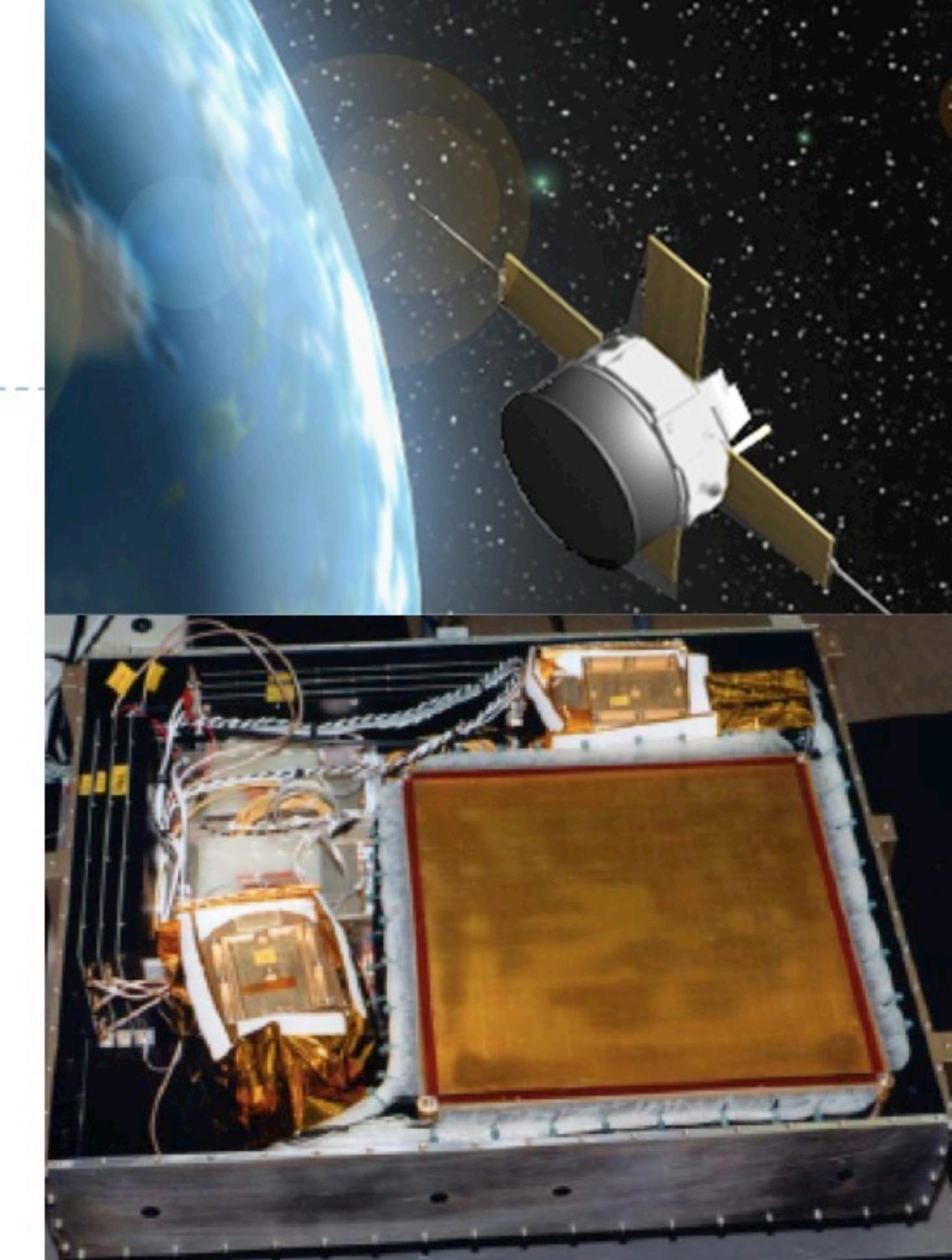
- ▶ In Situ Measurements of Solar System
  - ▶ Voyager I & II
- ▶ Ultra Heavy Nuclei – probe of GCR acceleration & propagation
  - ▶ ACE/CRIS
  - ▶ Super-TIGER

# Ultra Heavy Nuclei

## ACE: Advanced Composition Explorer

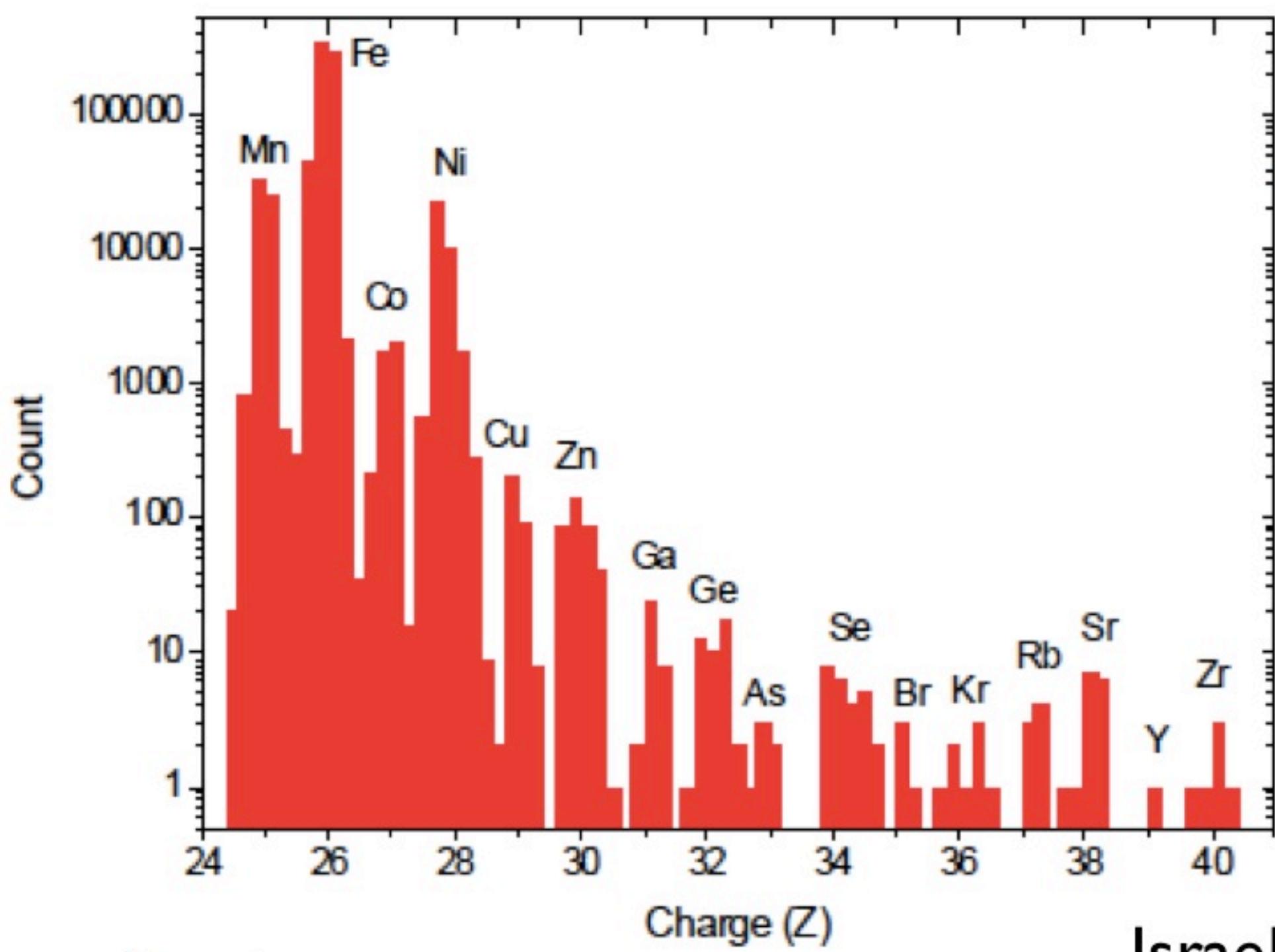
1997 launch still returning data - L1 Halo orbit

Determines charge state, elemental and isotopic composition of solar corona, solar wind, interplanetary particles, Interstellar medium and galactic particles over a broad energy range

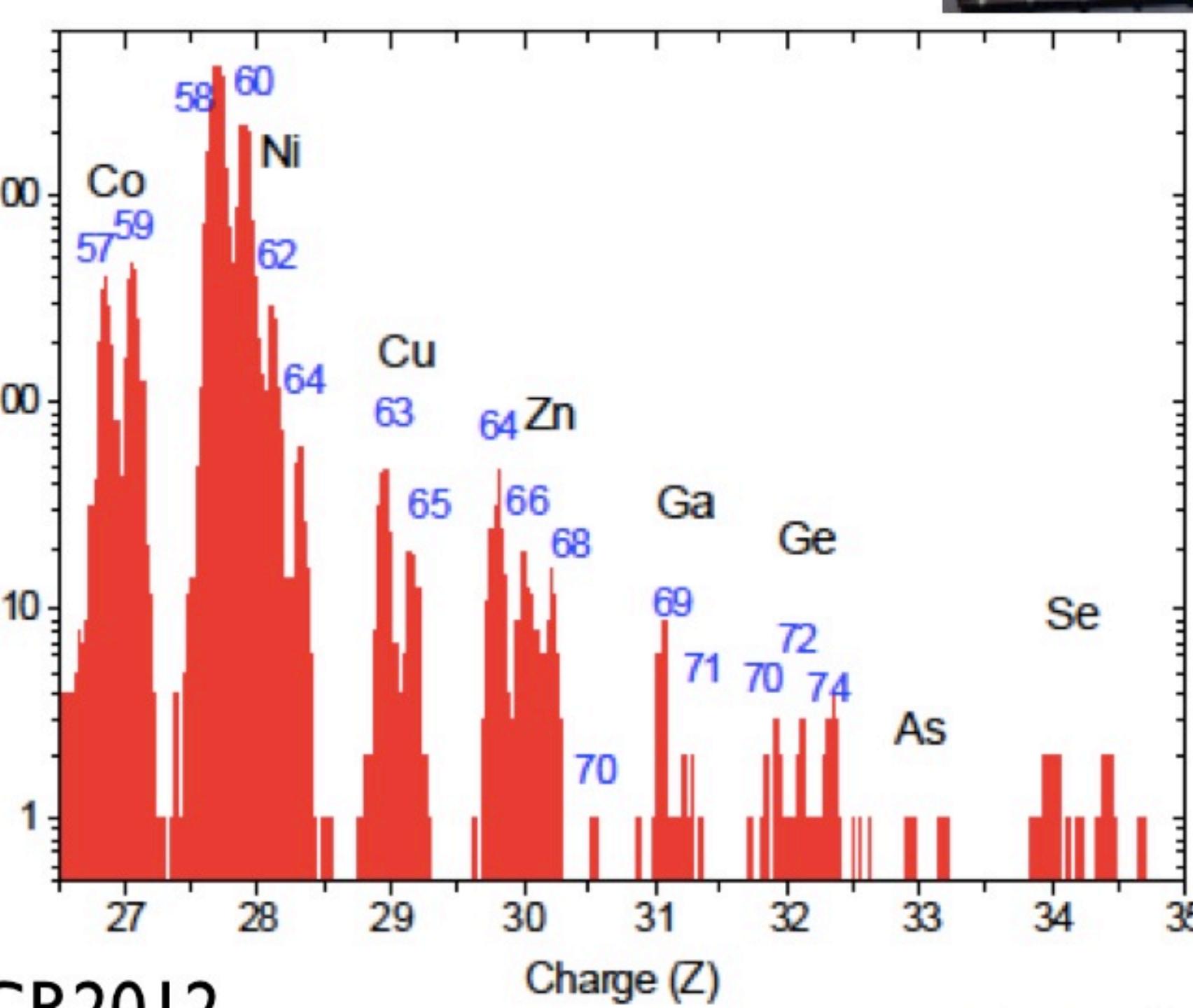


## CRIS - Cosmic Ray Isotope Spectrometer

Charge Histogram



Mass Histogram



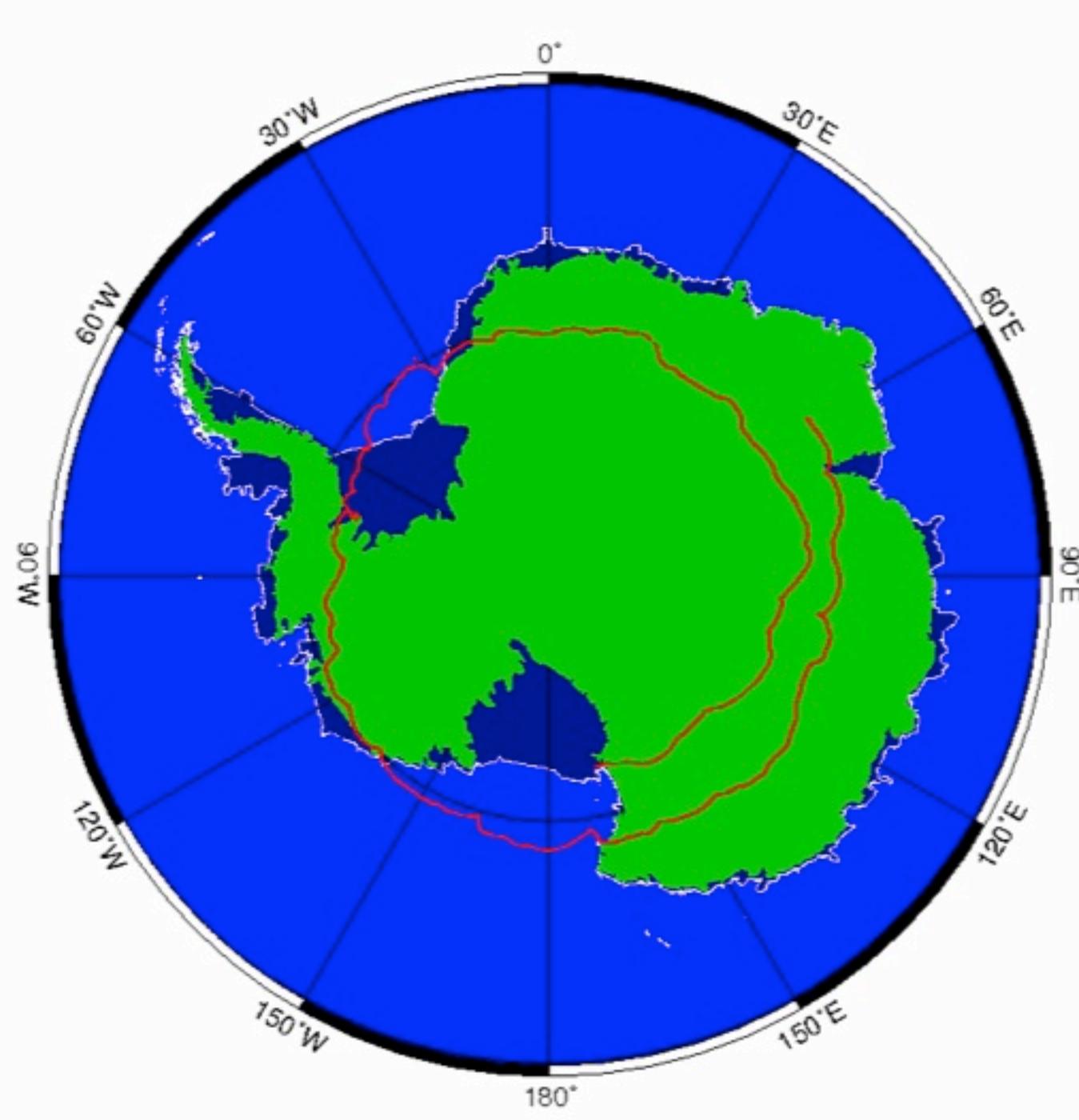
Israel CR2012

# Trans-Iron Galactic Element Recorder (TIGER)

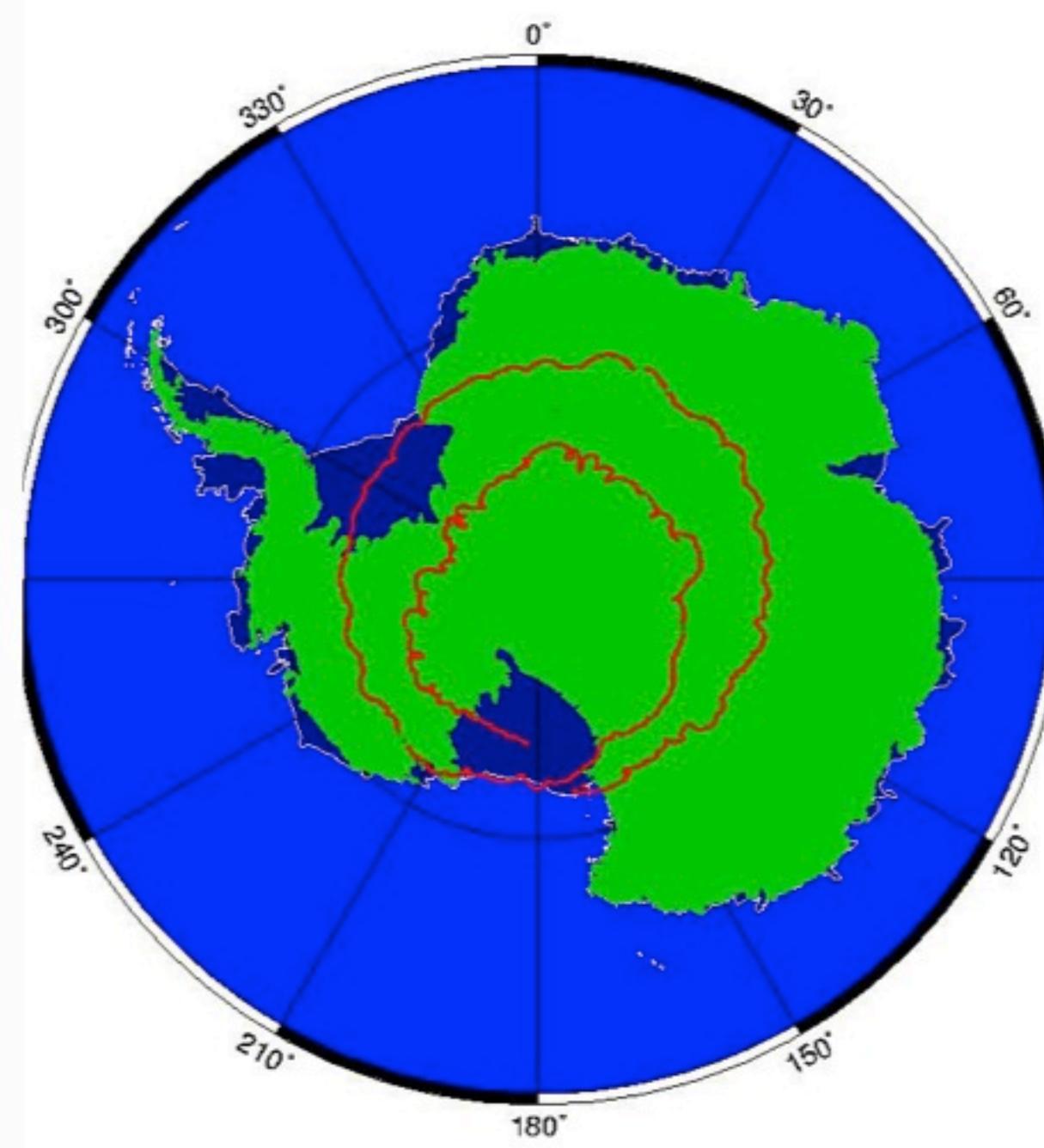
- GCR nuclei heavier than iron ( $26 < Z < 40$ ) for energies ranging from 0.3 to  $\sim 100$  GeV/nucleon
- 700 kg (1543 lbs)
- Flights in 2001 and 2003 (50 days)
- Partially recovered in 2006



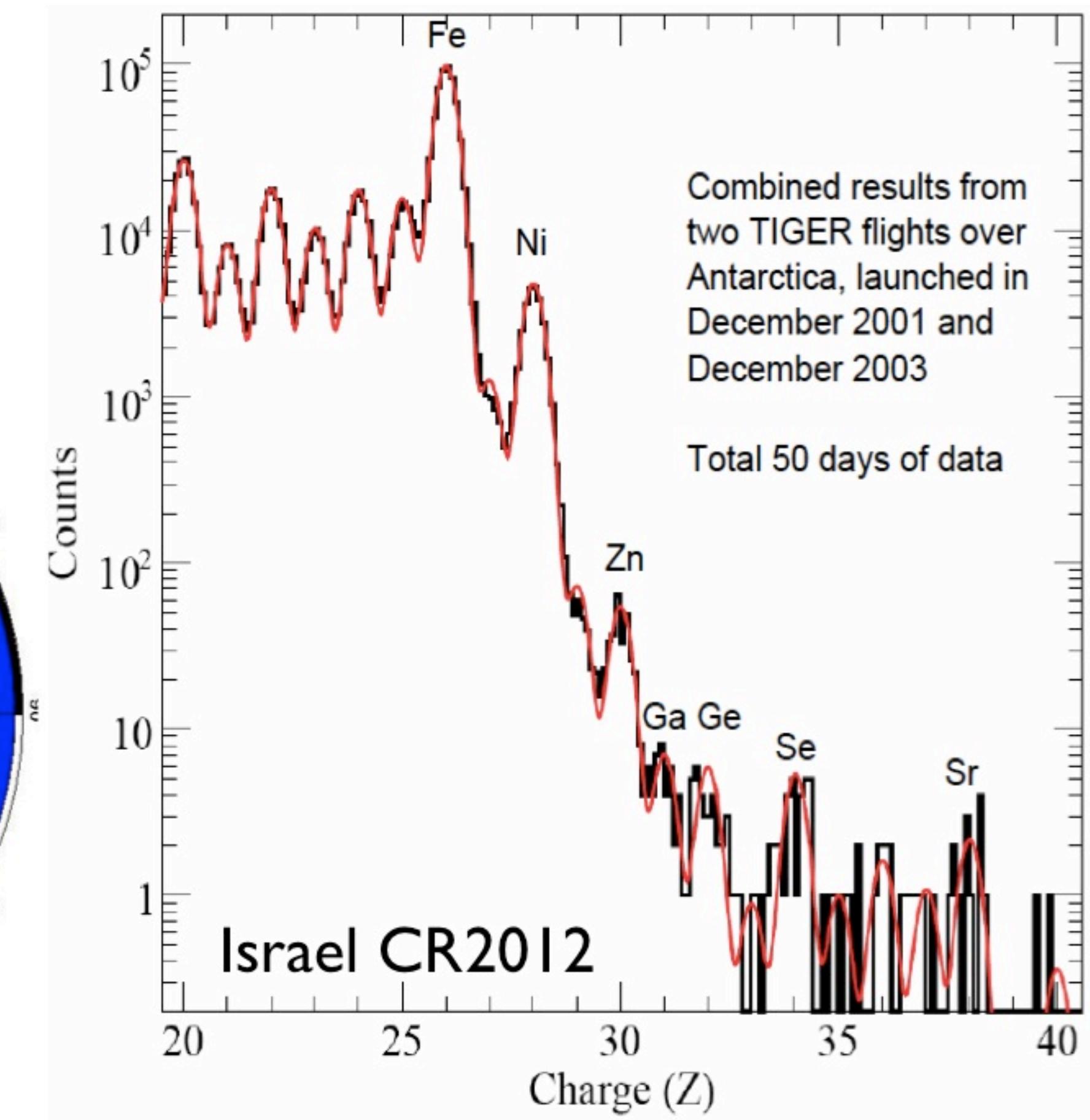
TIGER



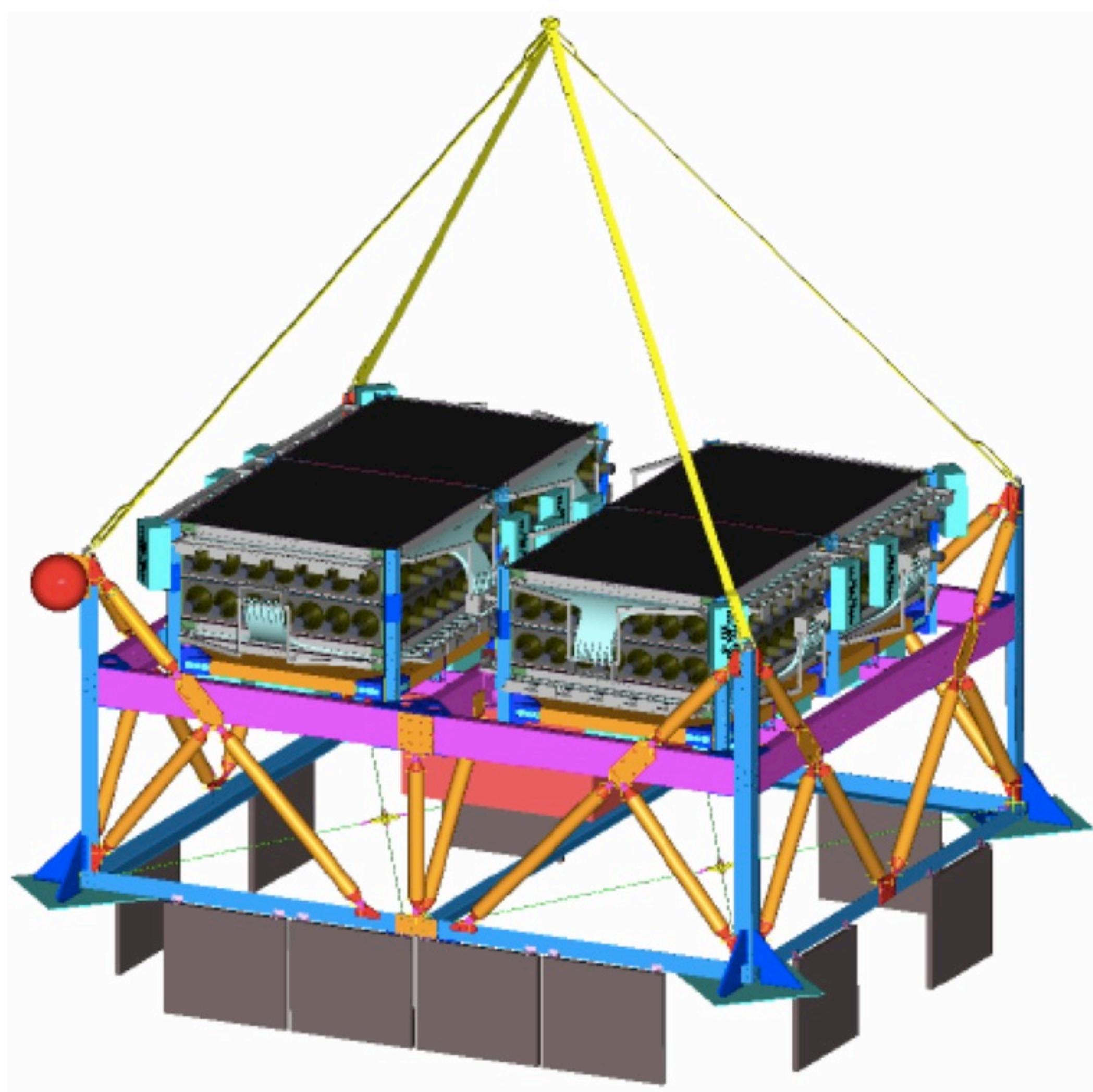
Dec 17, 2003 – Jan 4, 2004



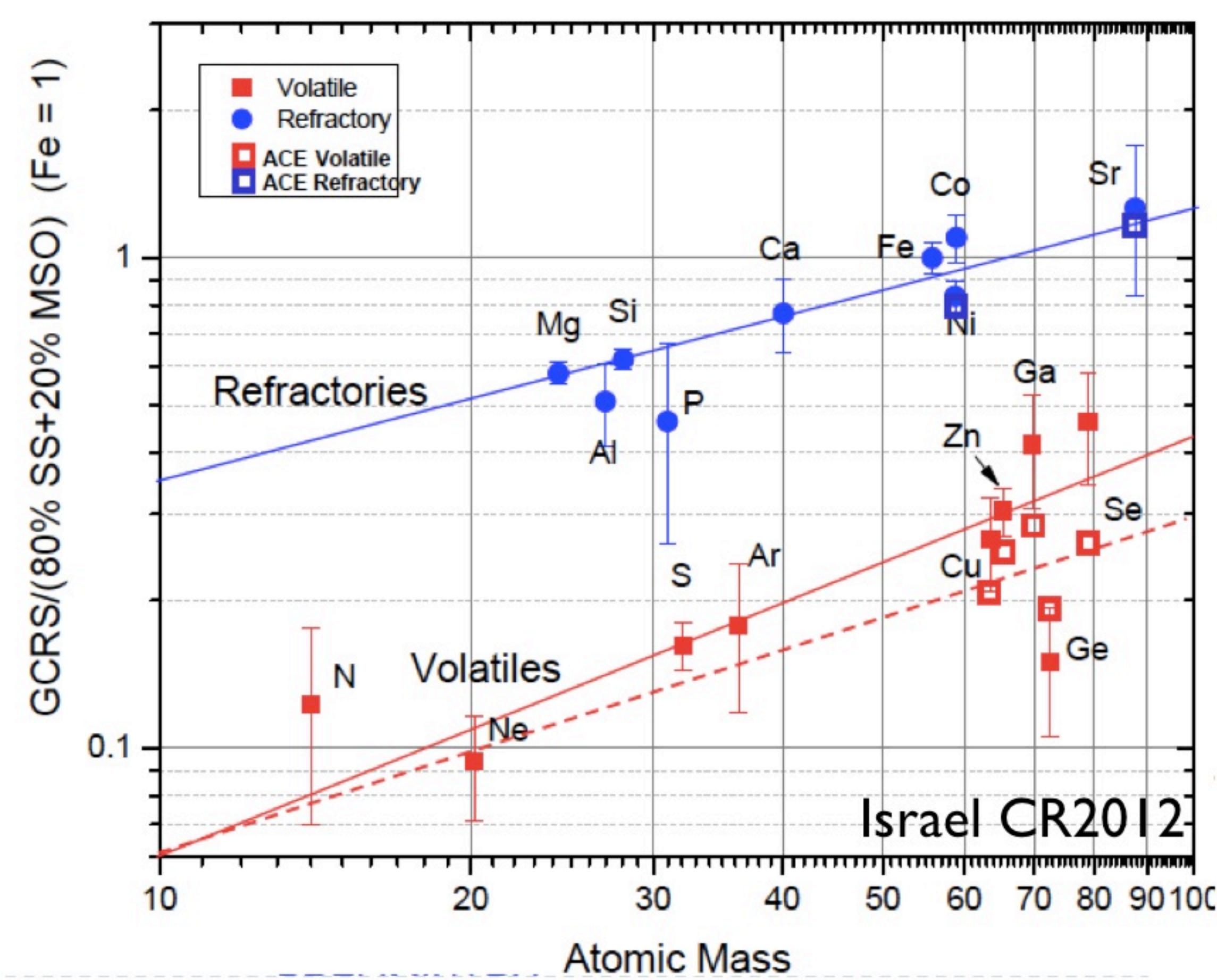
Dec 21, 2001 – Jan 21, 2002



# next: Super-TIGER



- Antarctic launch **Dec. 2012**
- Collect ~7x more ultraheavy nuclei than TIGER
- Add new elements to mass ordering with smaller error bars throughout
- **Is the composition 80% Solar  
20% Massive Star Outflow?**



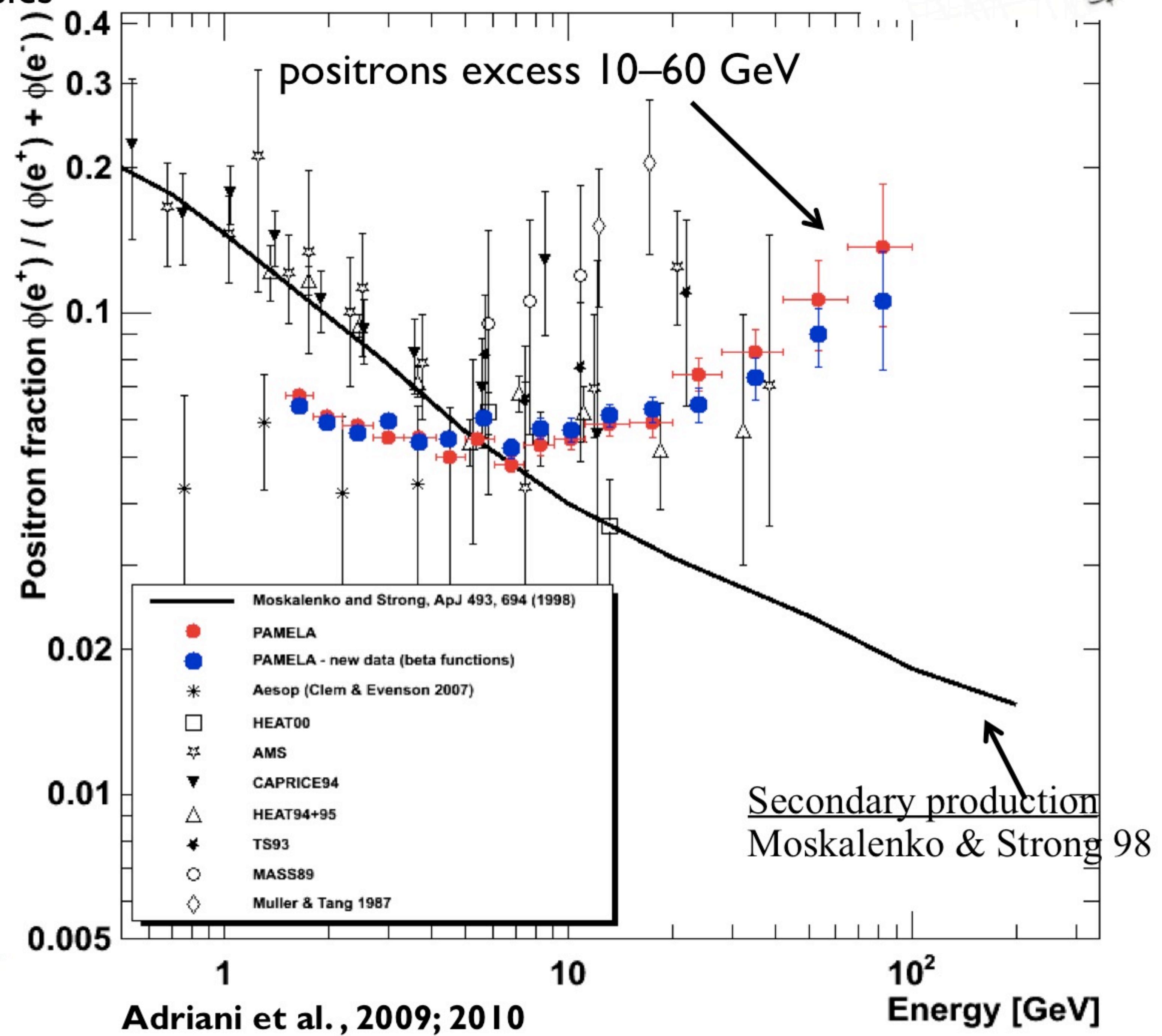
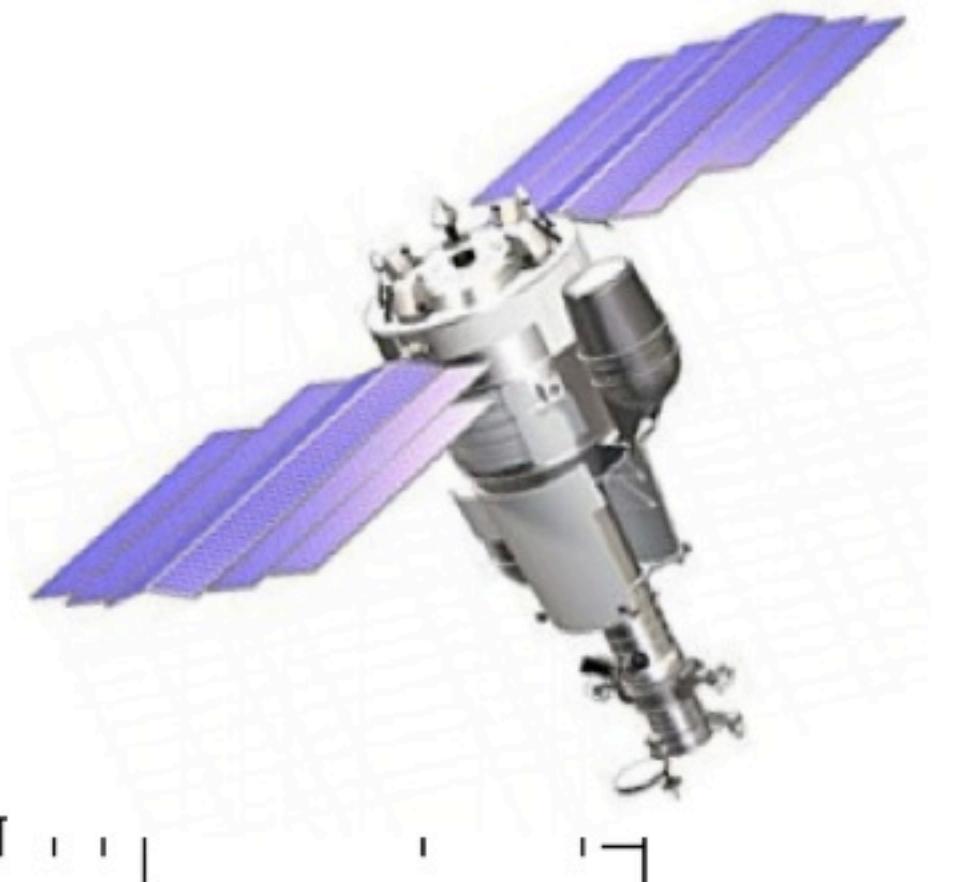
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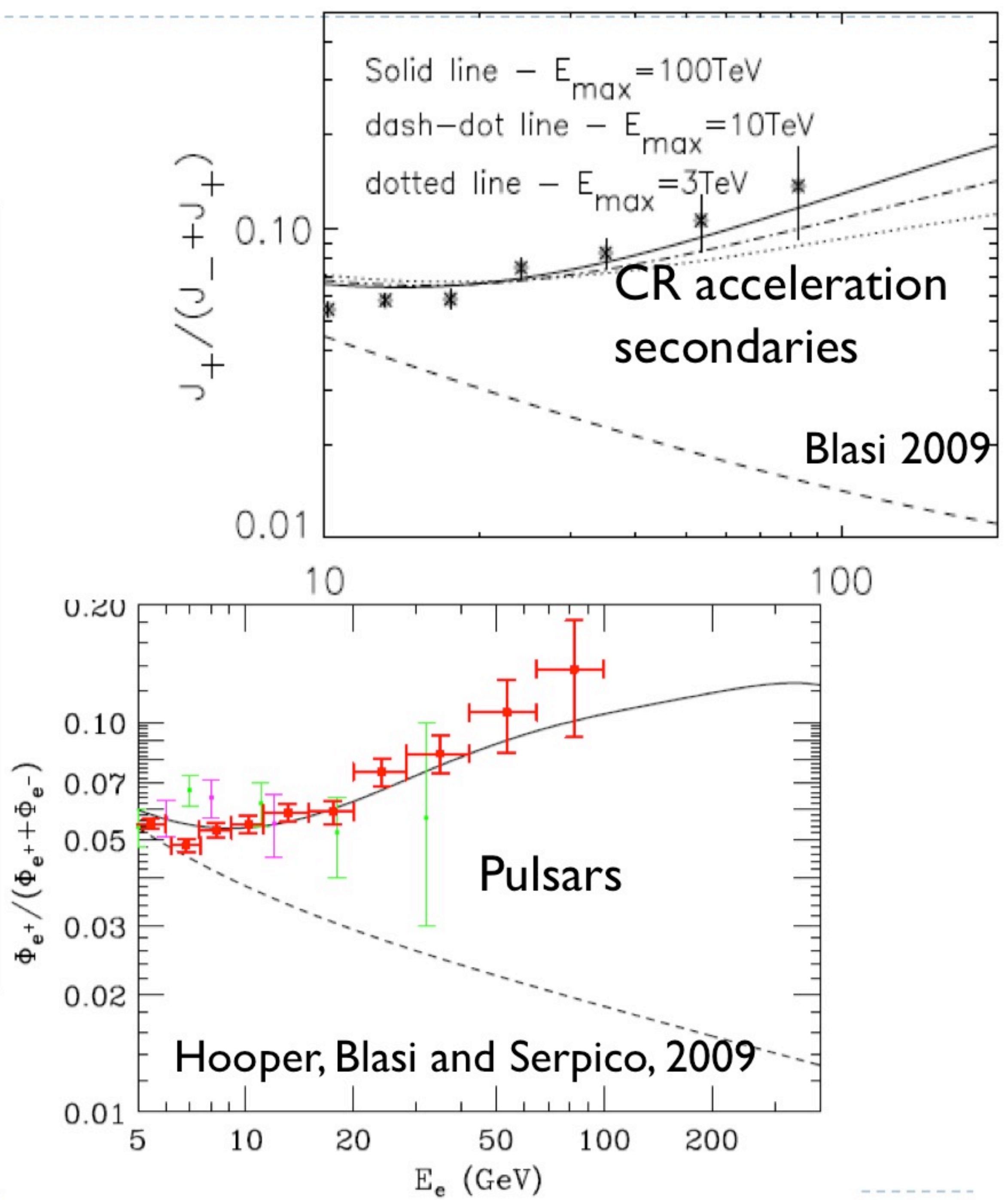
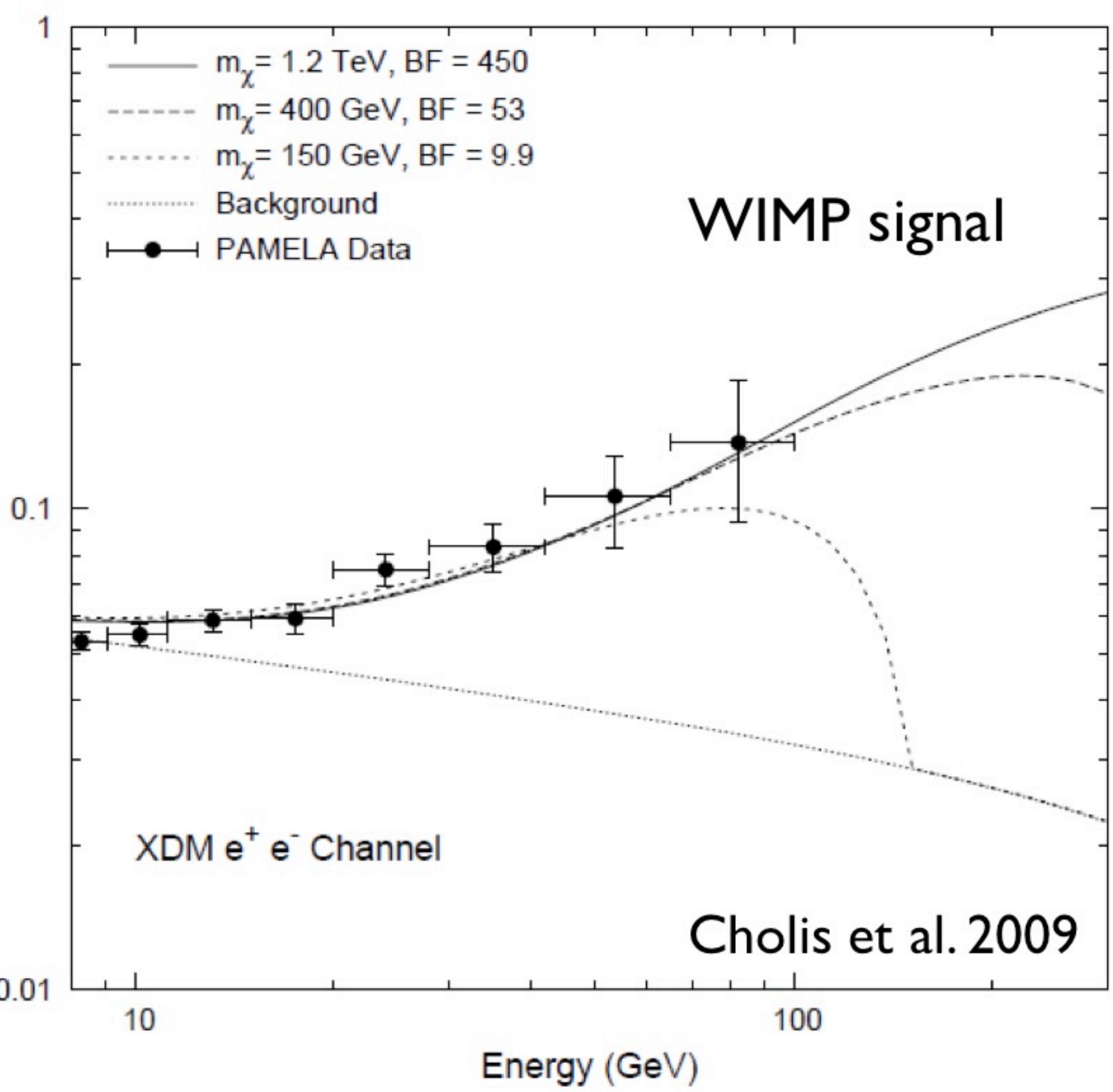
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# PAMELA

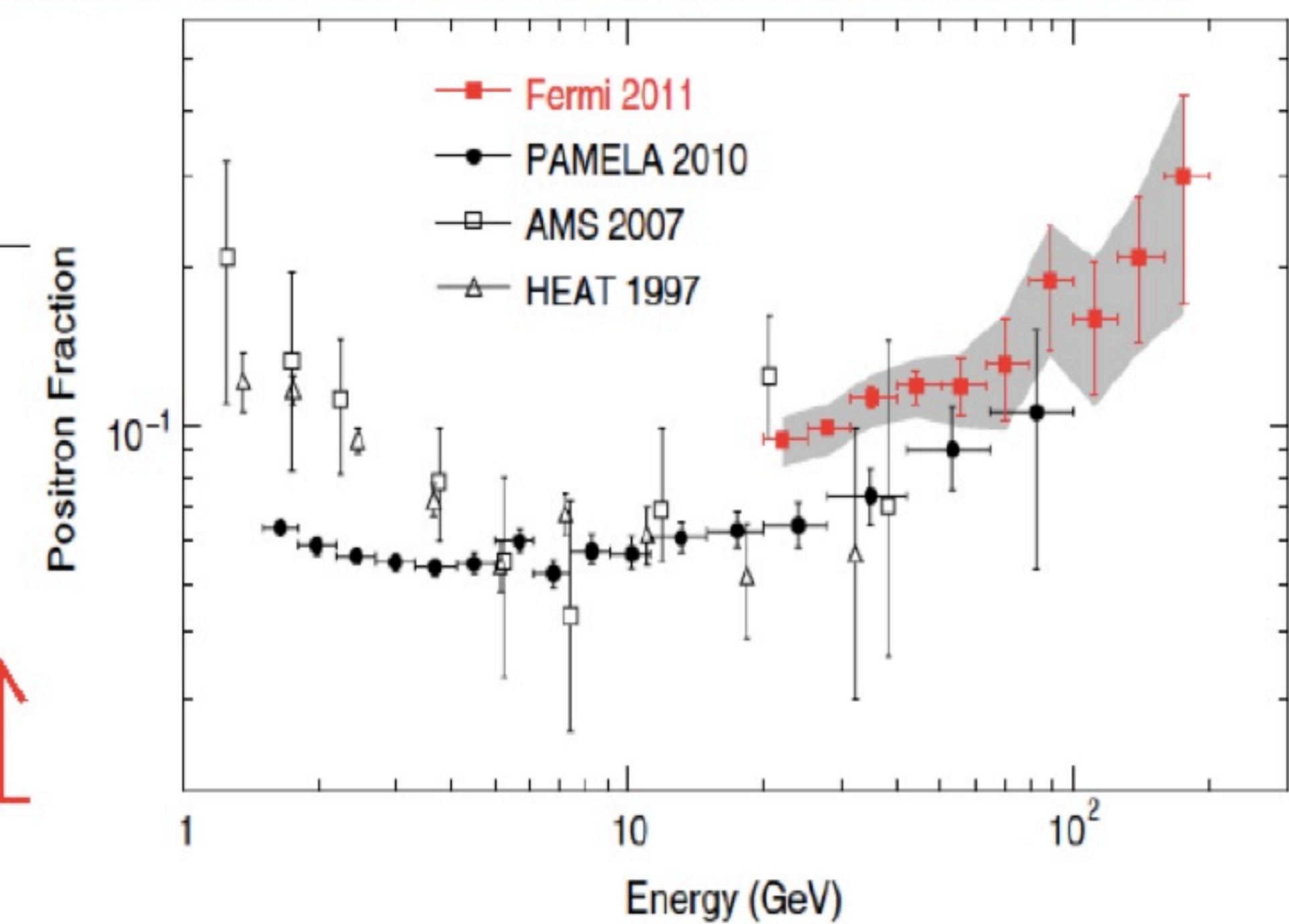
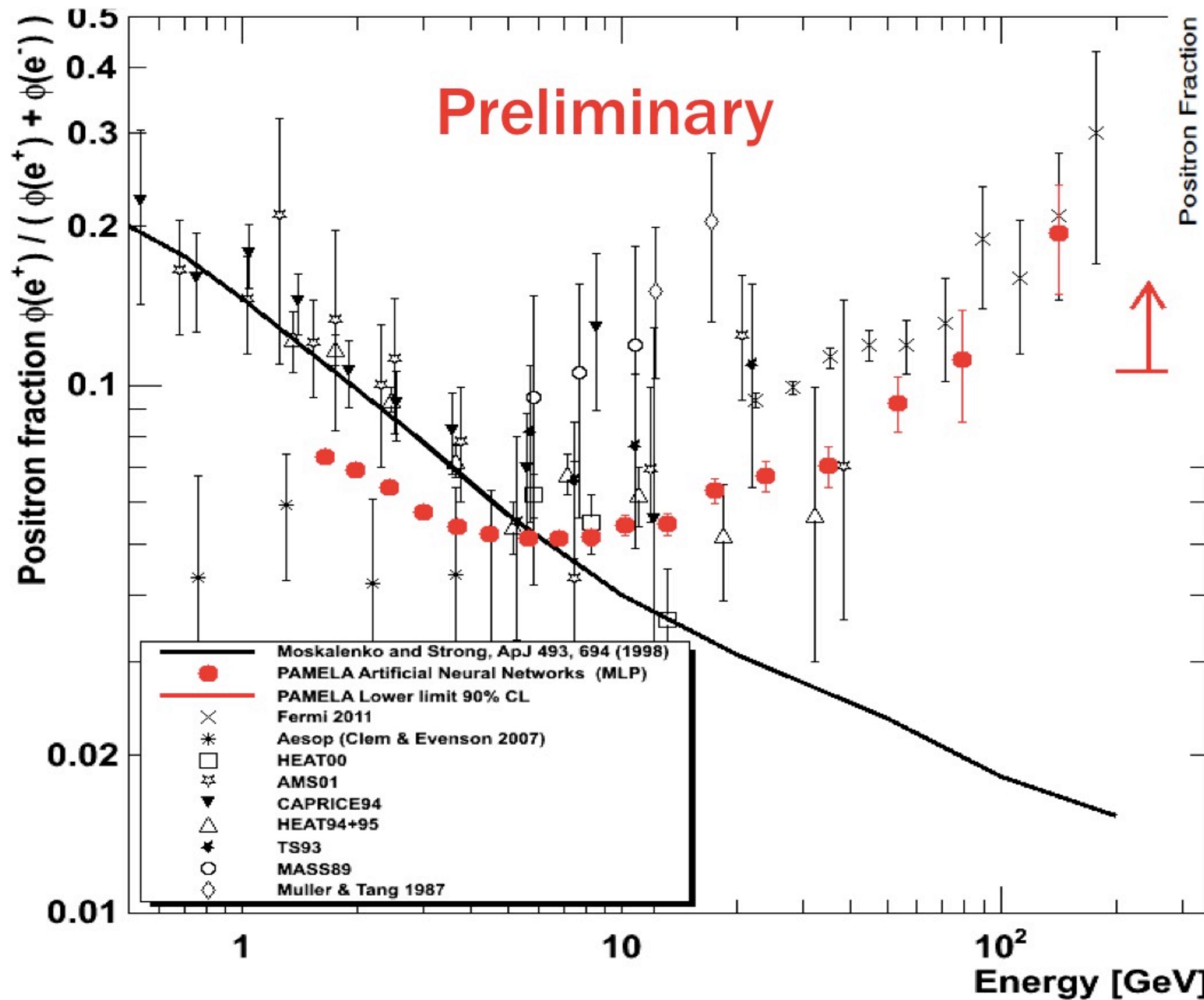
Payload for Antimatter Matter Exploration  
and Light-nuclei Astrophysics



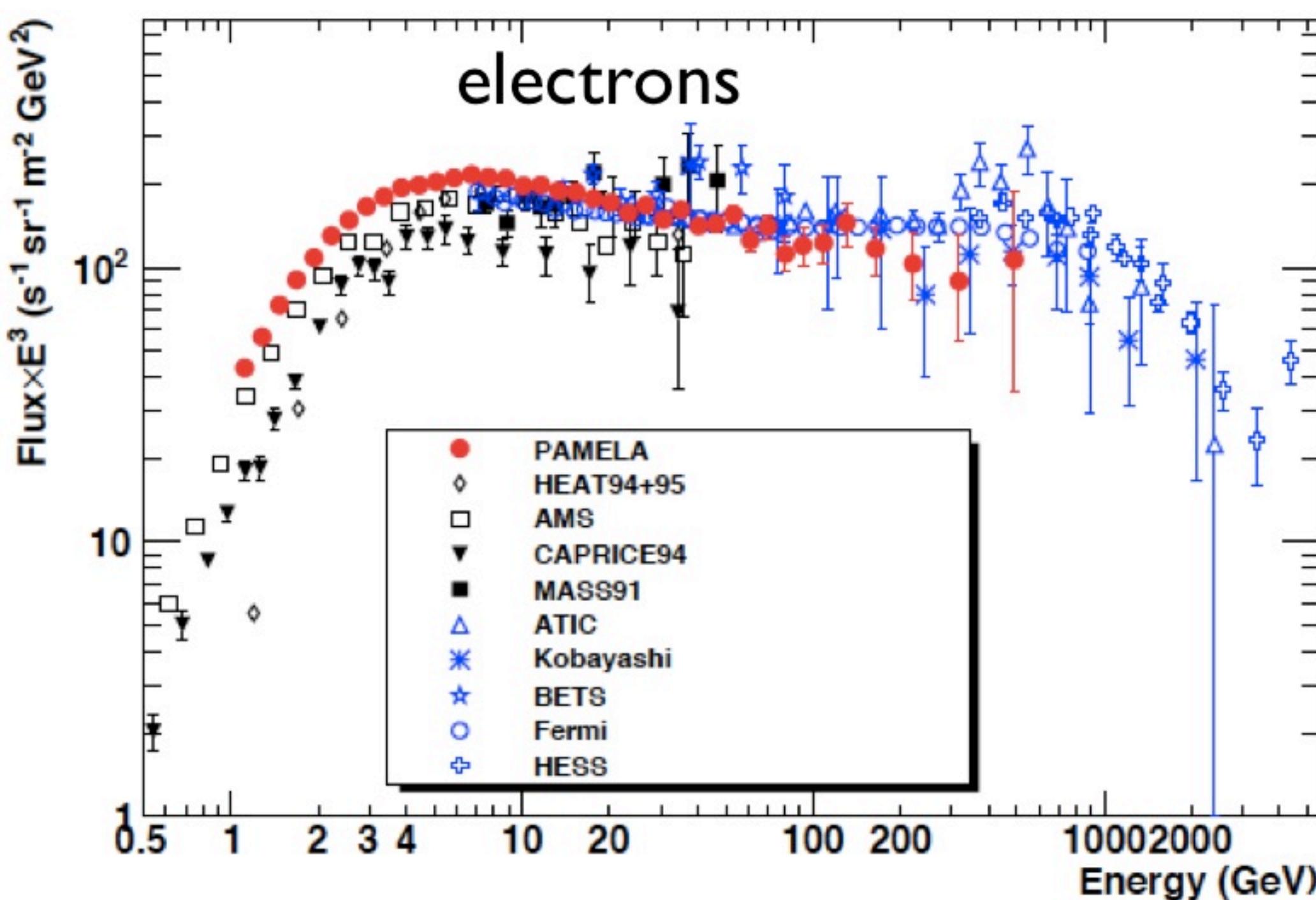
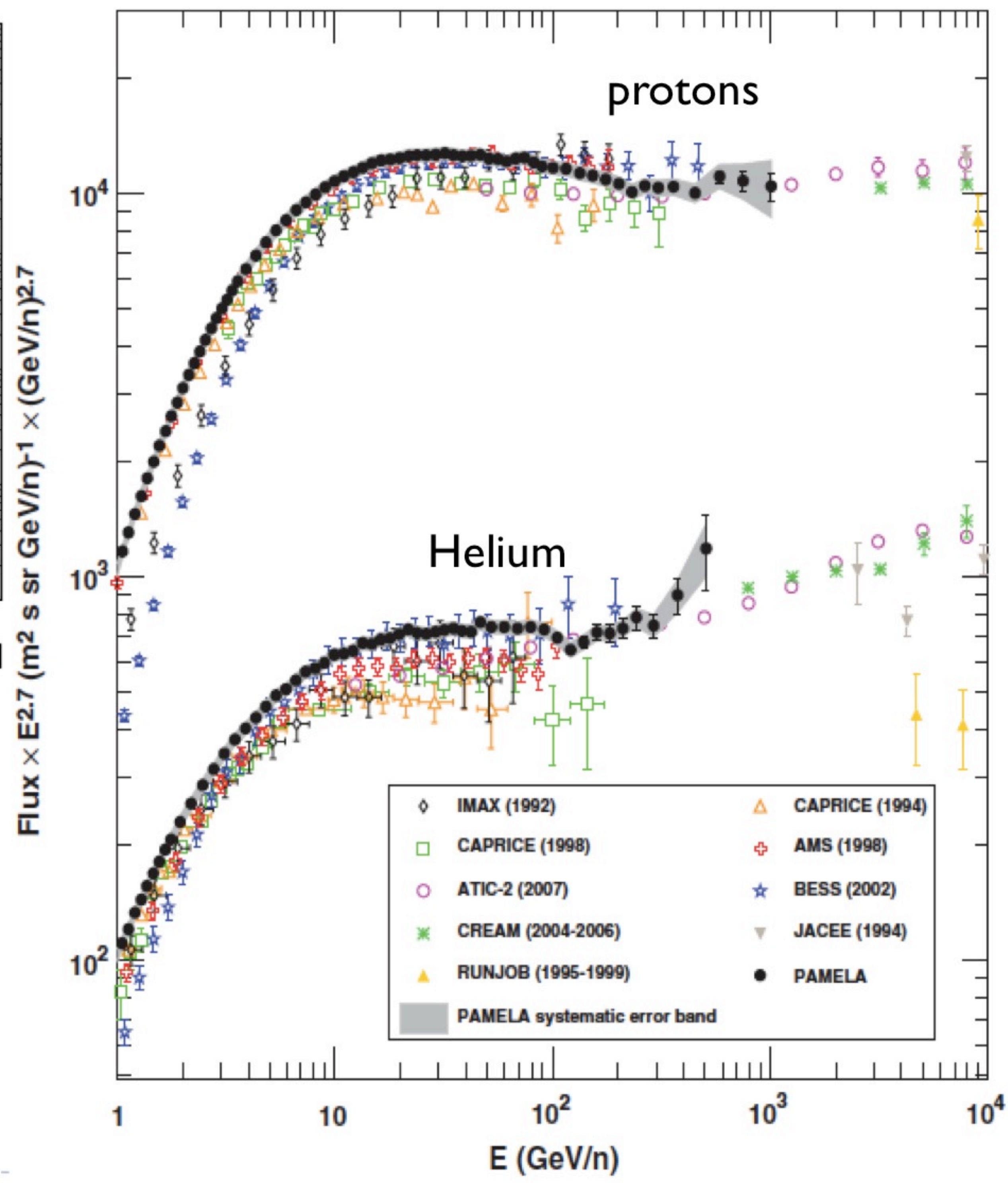
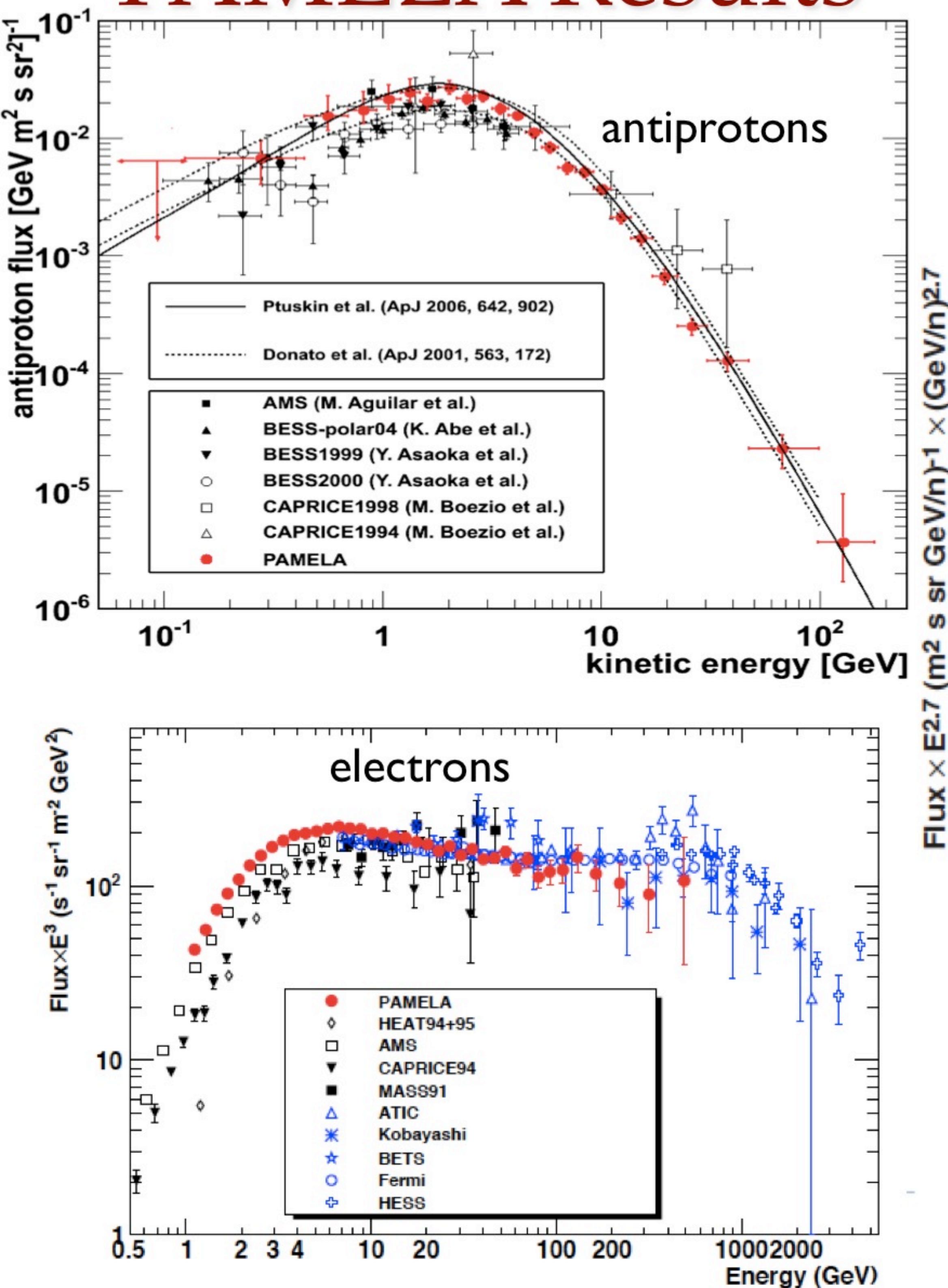
# Dark Matter or Pulsars or SNRs?



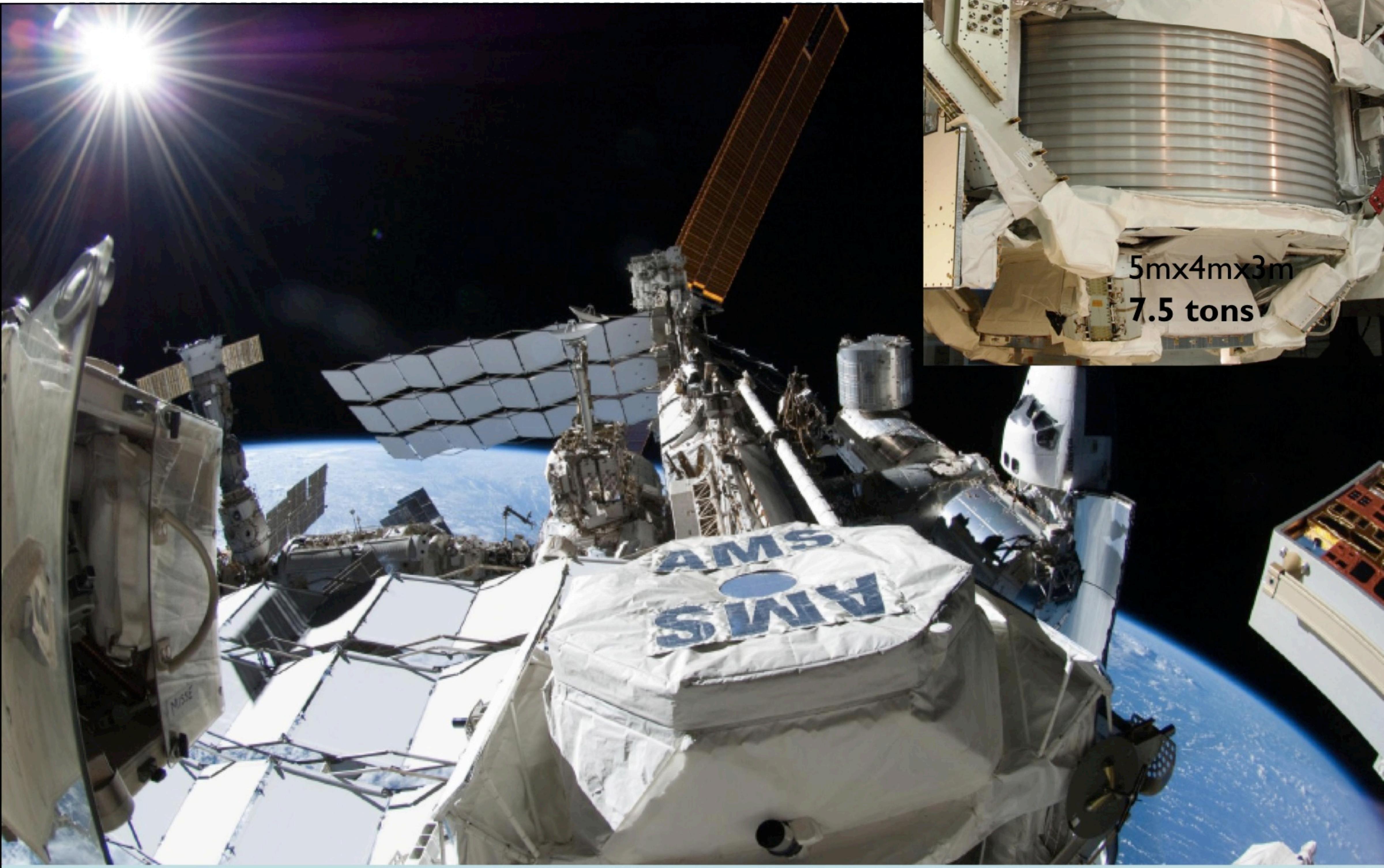
# Updates PAMELA & Fermi



# PAMELA Results



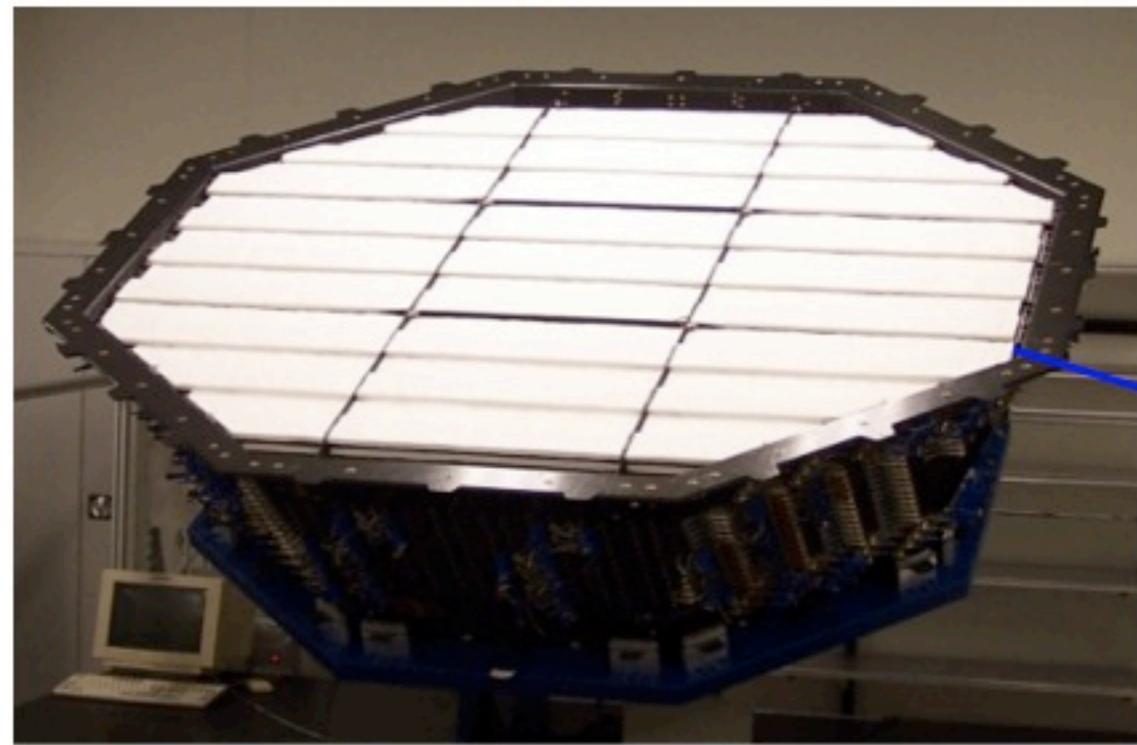
# AMS (Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer) on the ISS



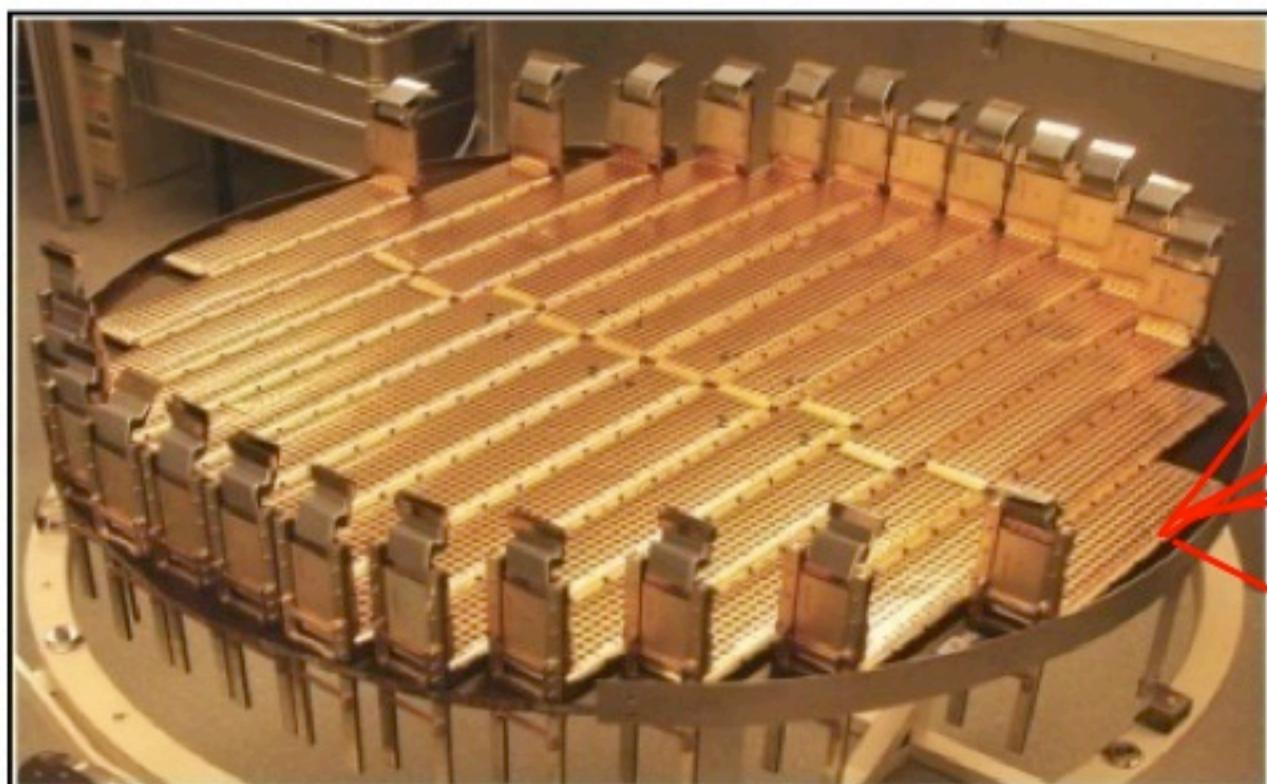
# AMS: multipurpose spectrometer up to TeV

TRD

Identify  $e^+$ ,  $e^-$



Silicon Tracker  
 $Z, P$

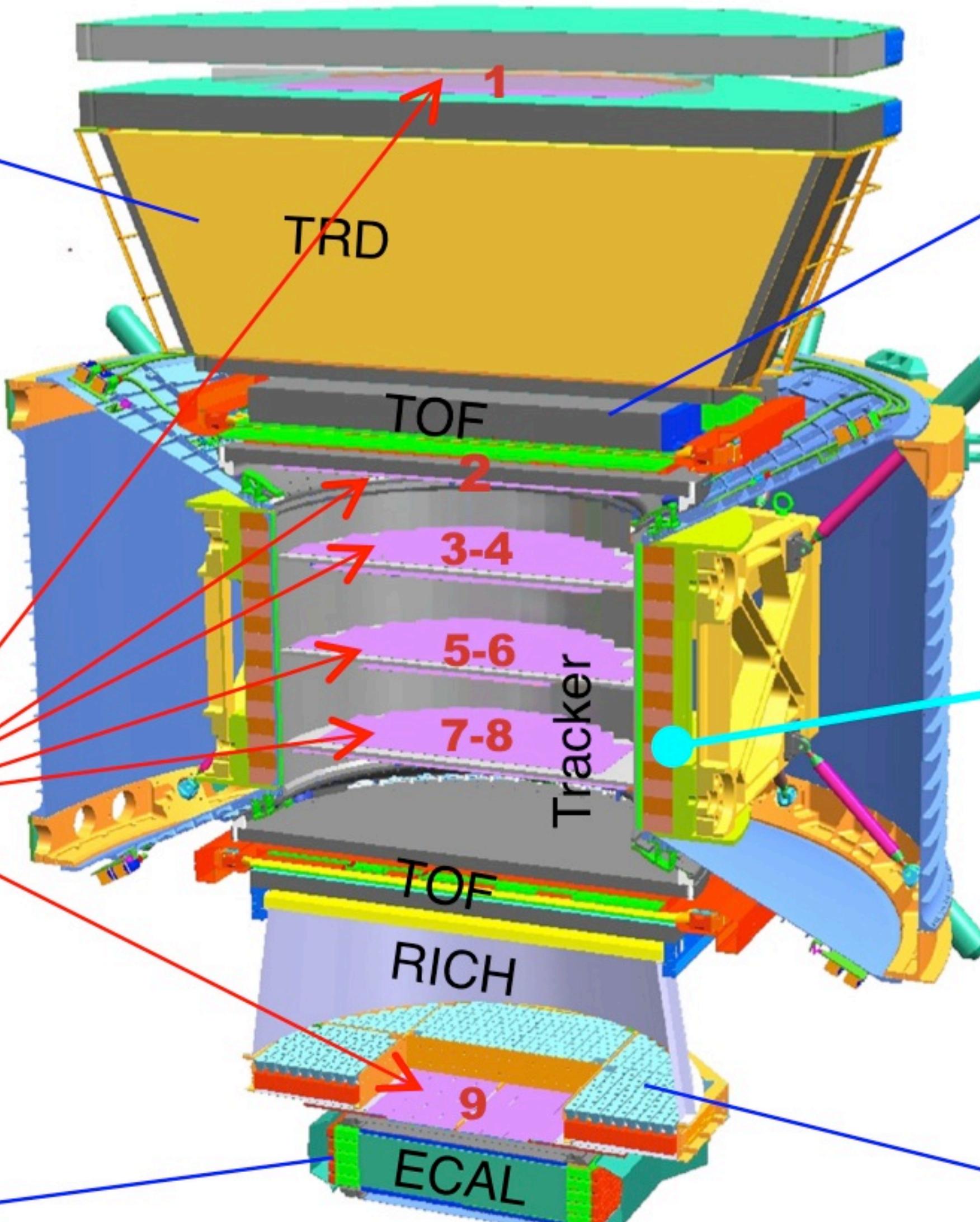


ECAL

$E$  of  $e^+$ ,  $e^-$ ,  $\gamma$



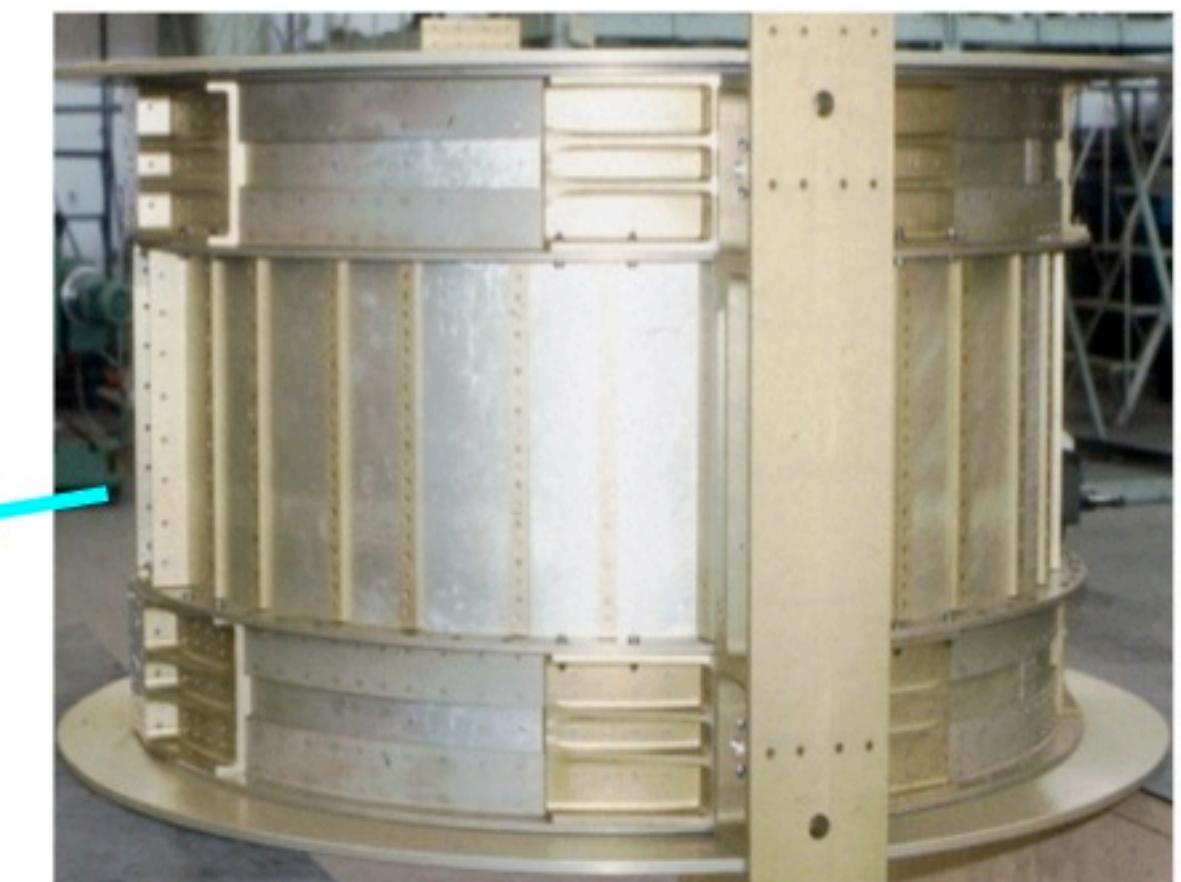
Particles and nuclei are defined by their charge ( $Z$ ) and energy ( $E \sim P$ )



TOF  
 $Z, E$



Magnet  
 $\pm Z$



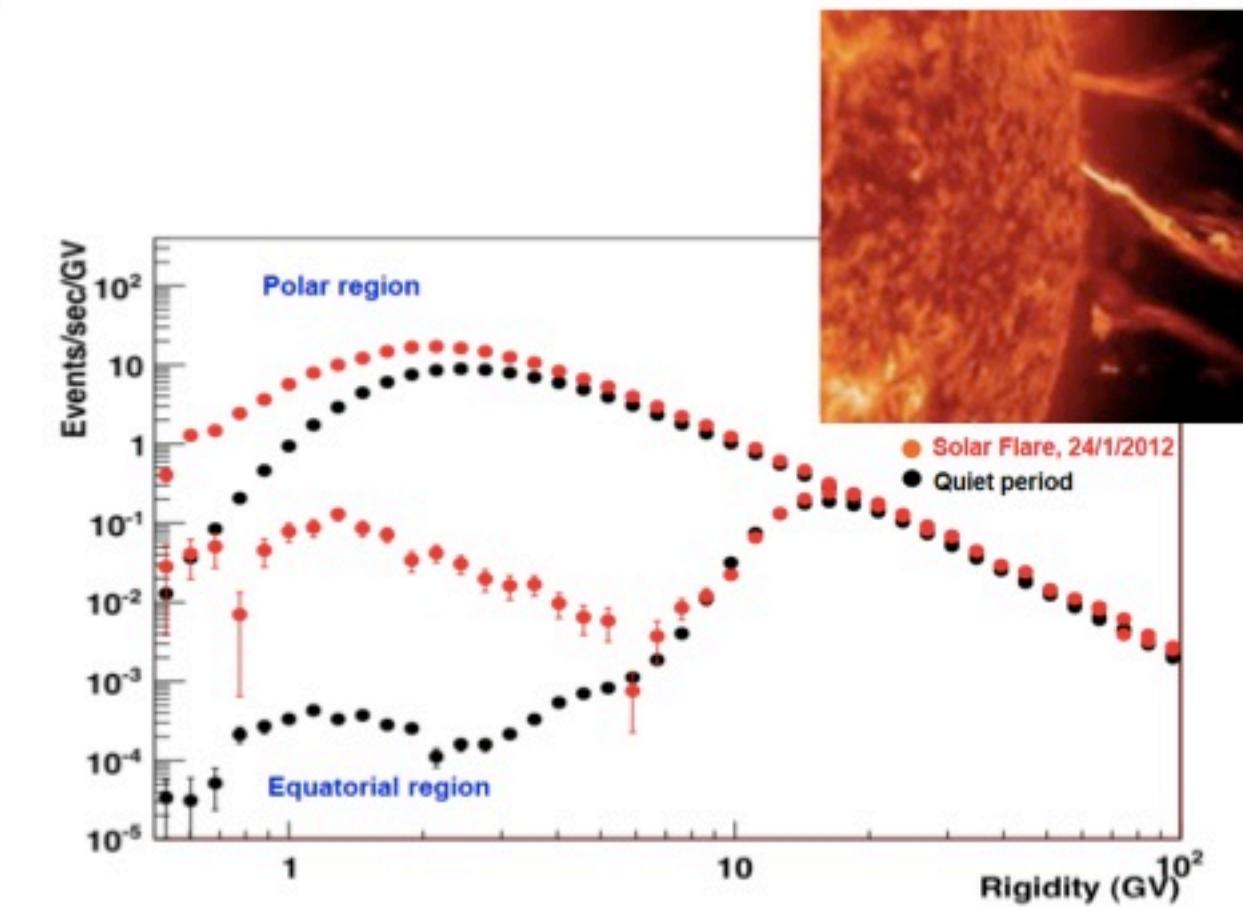
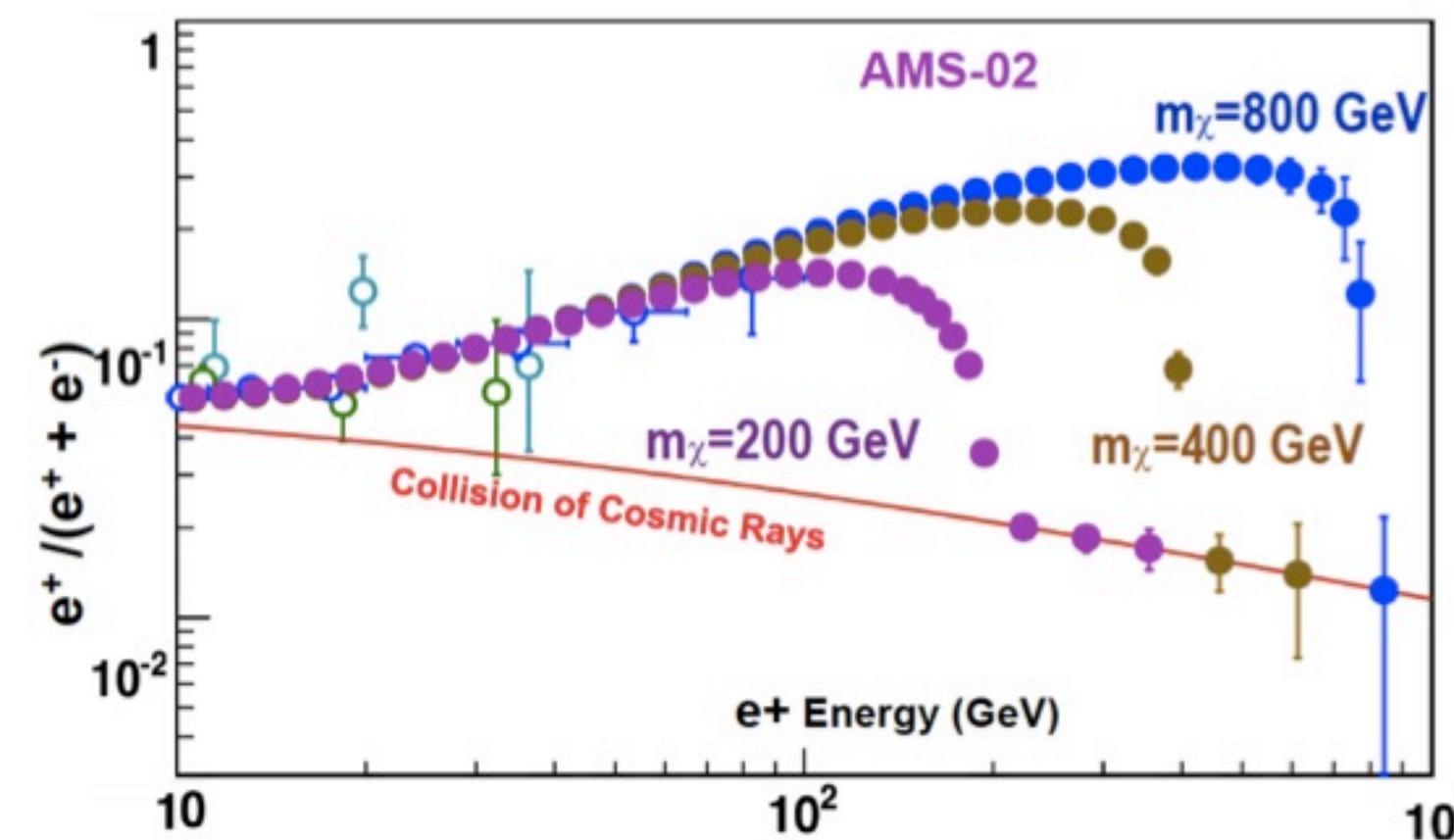
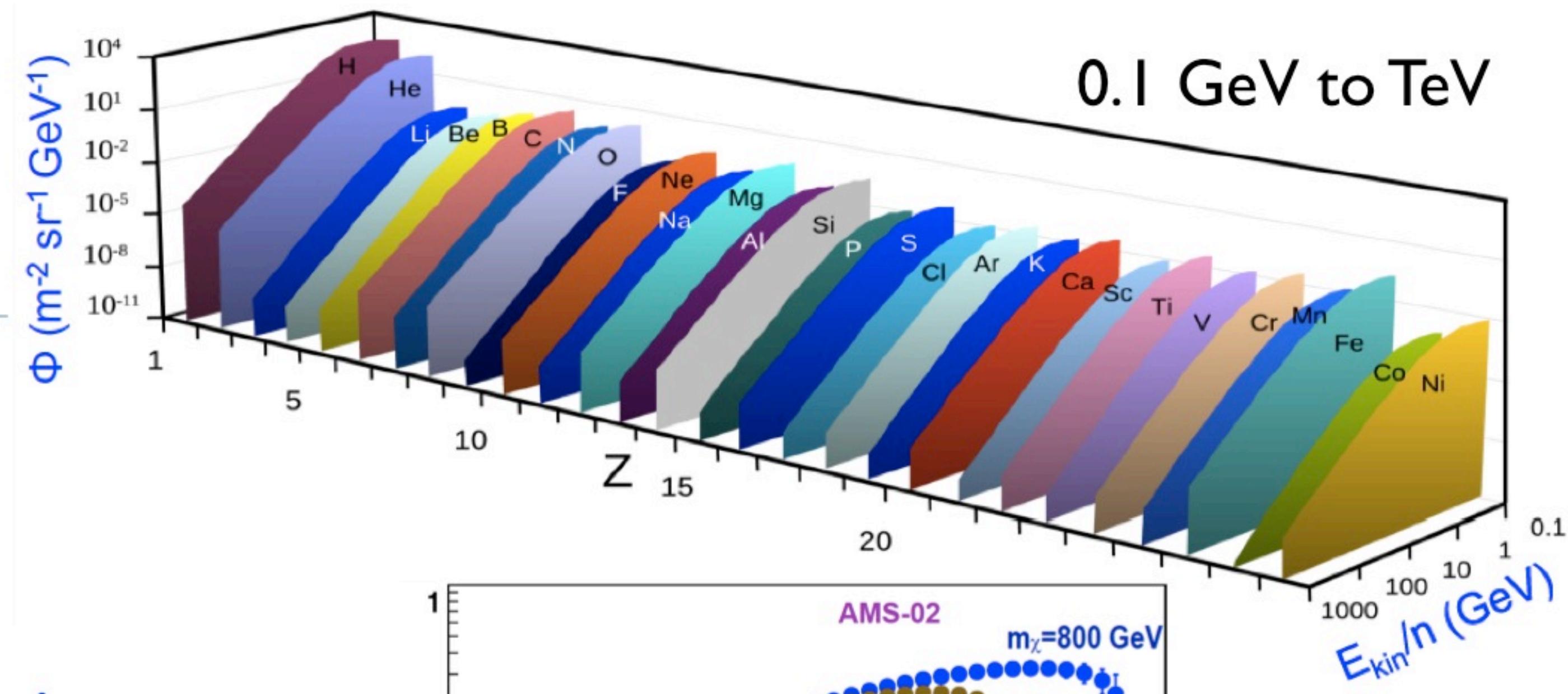
RICH  
 $Z, E$



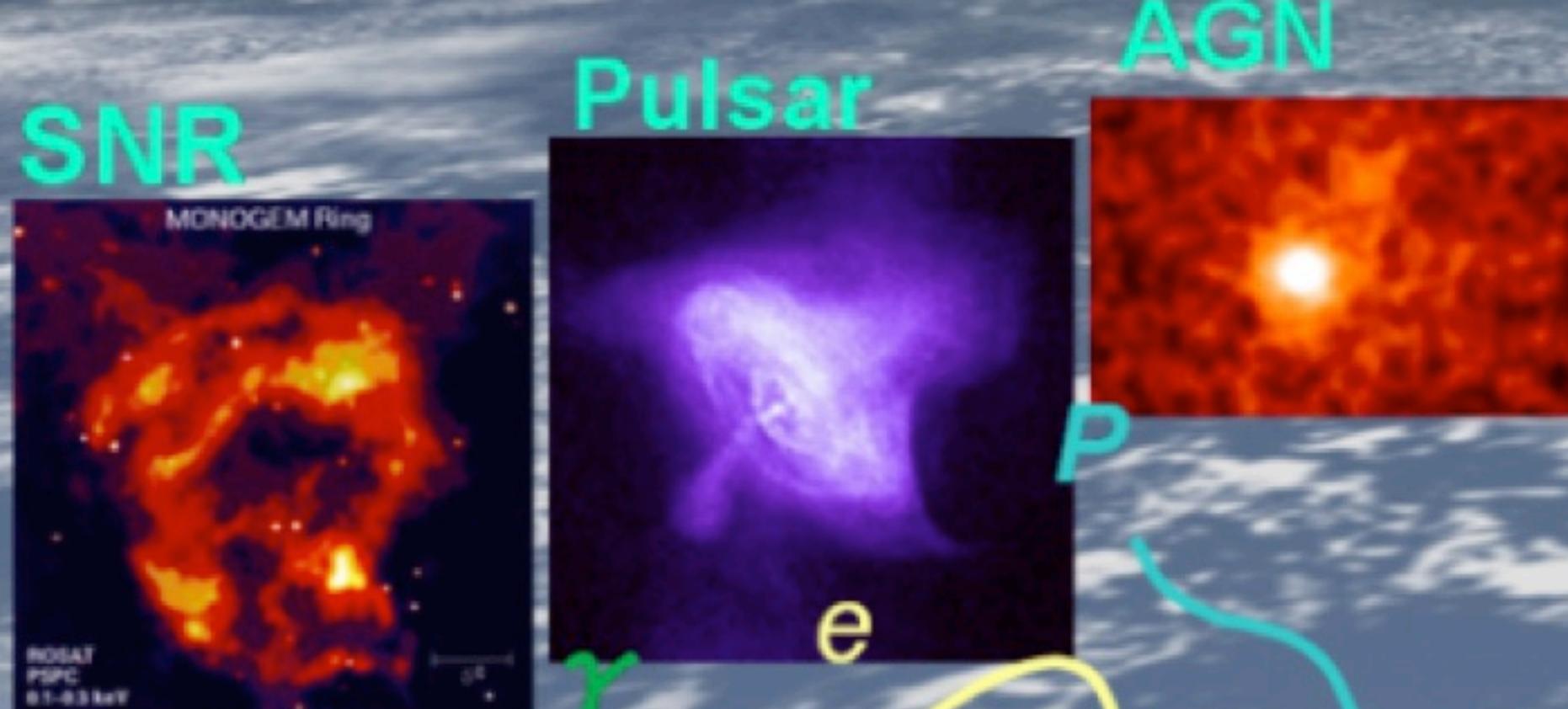
$Z, P$  are measured independently from Tracker, RICH, TOF and ECAL

# AMS goals

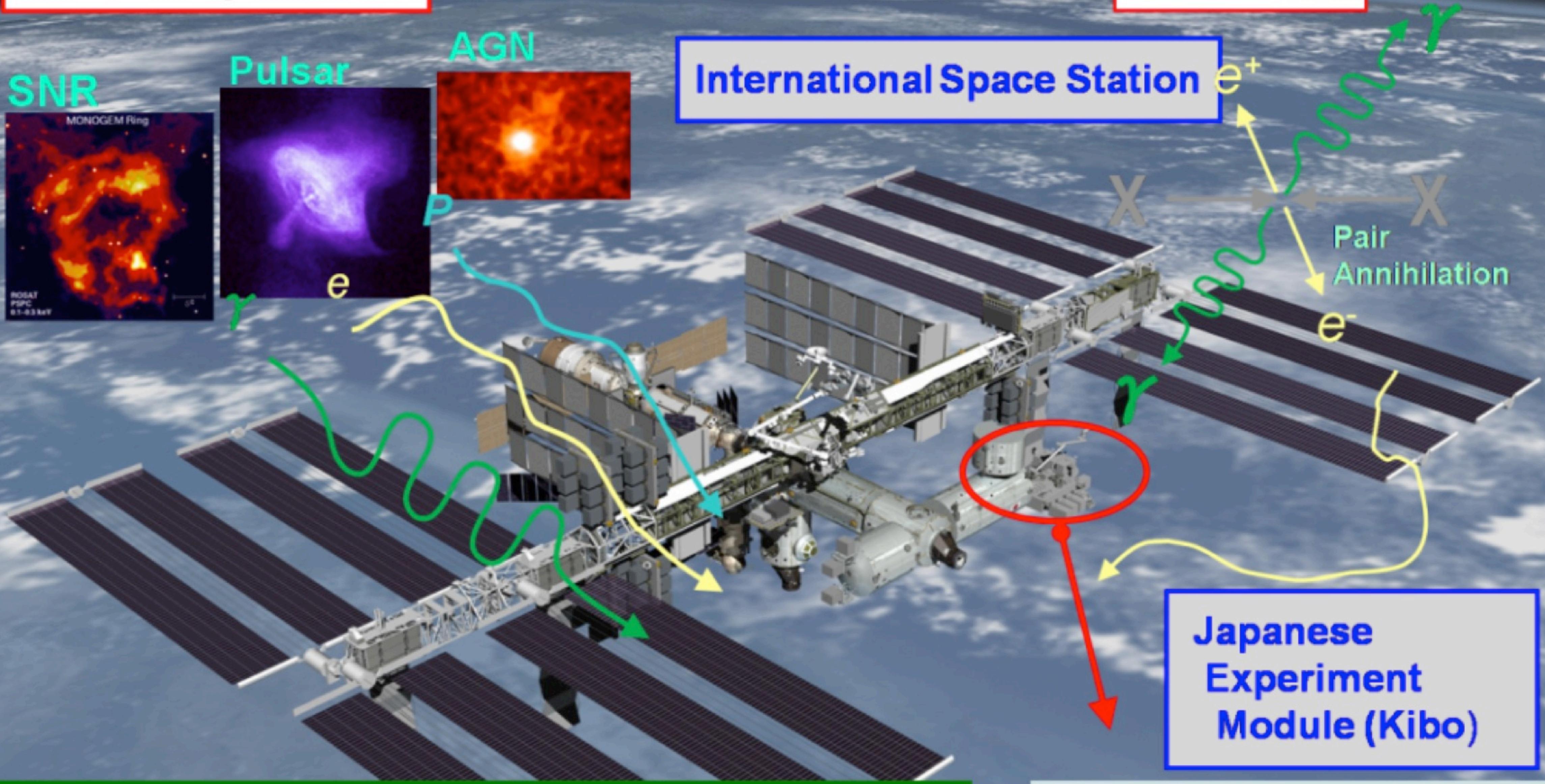
- ▶ Launch May 16, 2011
- ▶ Data from May 19, 2011
- ▶  $\sim 1.6 \cdot 10^{10}$  events/year
- ▶ Search for primordial antimatter:
  - ▶ –Anti-nuclei: He-bar, ...
- ▶ Dark Matter search:
  - ▶ –  $e^+$ ,  $e^-$ ,  $p$ ,  $p\bar{}$  ...
  - ▶ simultaneous observation of several signal channels.
- ▶ Search for new forms of matter:
  - ▶ strangelets, ...
- ▶ CR spectra – refining propagation models;
- ▶ Understanding of local sources:
  - ▶ SNR, Pulsars, PBH, ...
- ▶ Solar modulation on CR spectra over 11 year solar cycle



## Cosmic Ray Sources



## Dark Matter

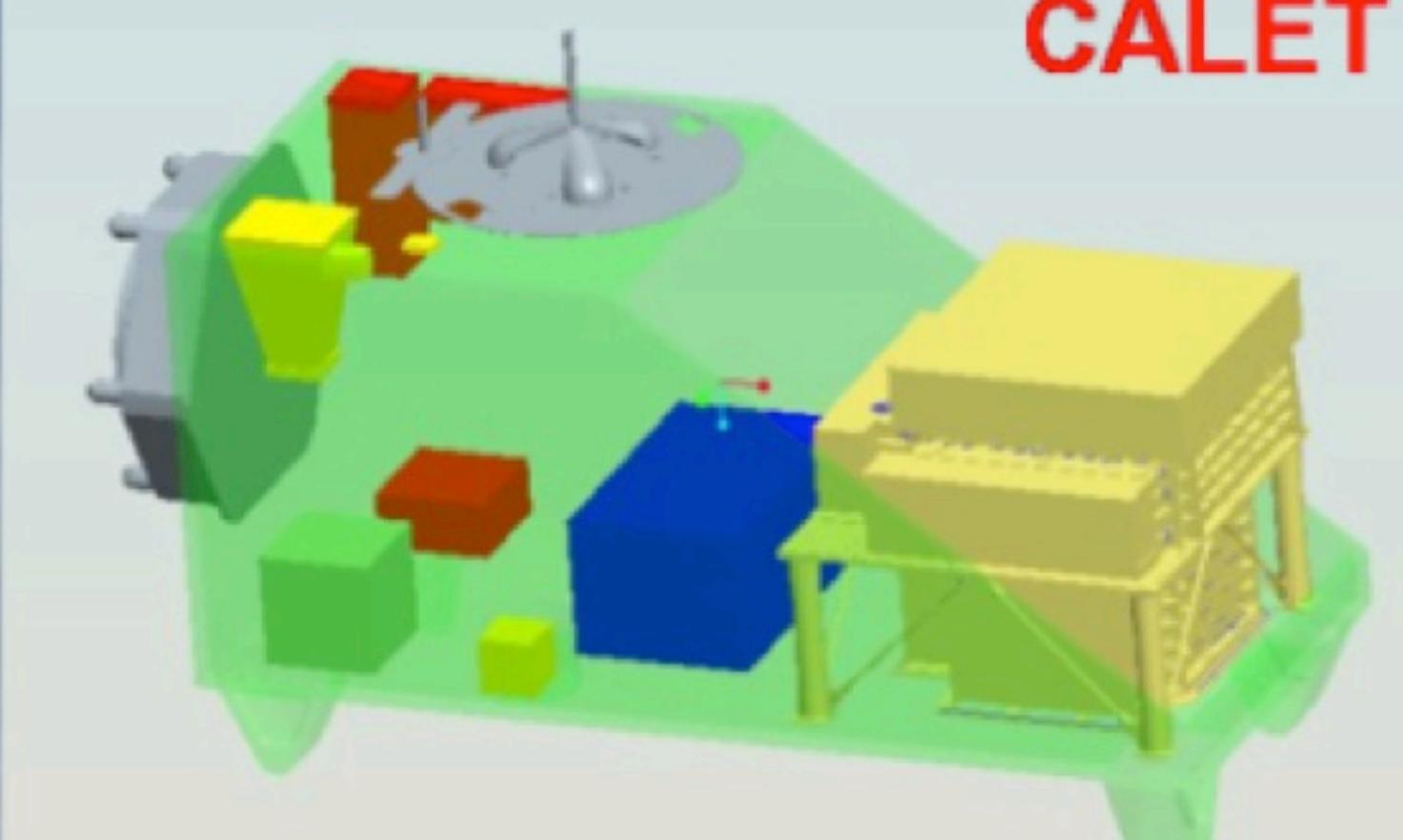


## **CAL**orimetric **E**lectron **T**elescope

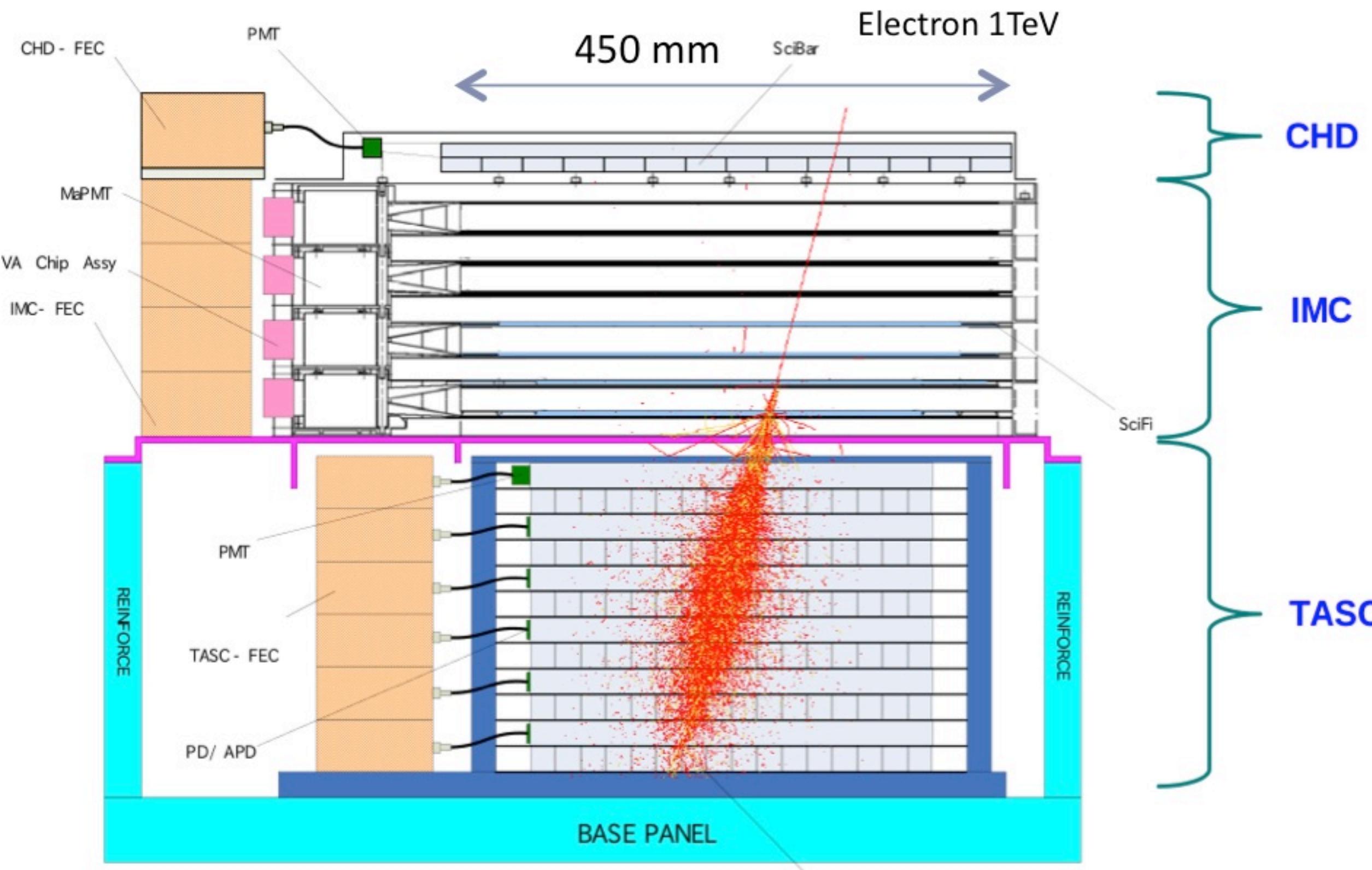
A Dedicated Detector for Electron Observation in 1 GeV - 10,000 GeV

launch planned for 2014

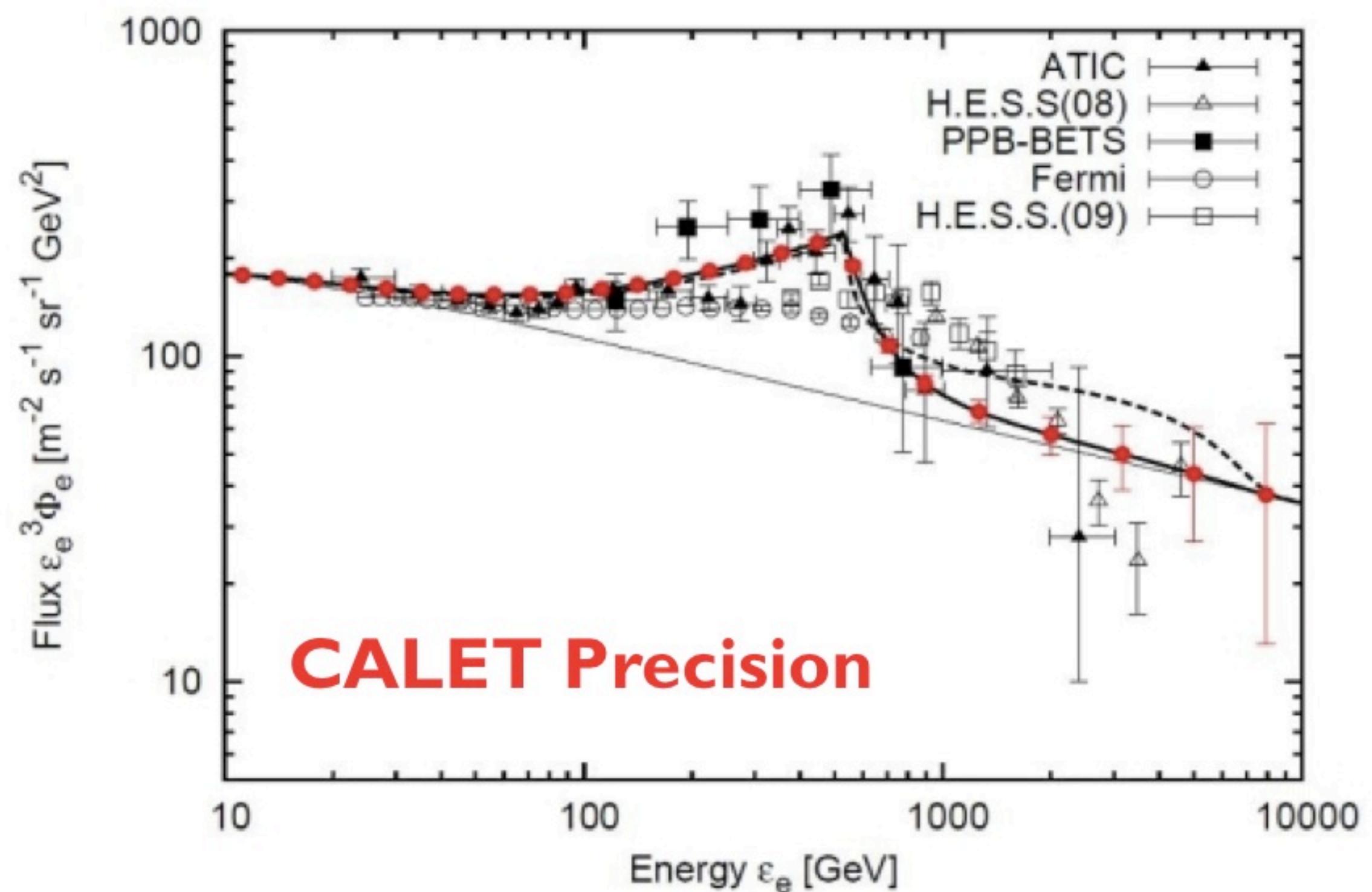
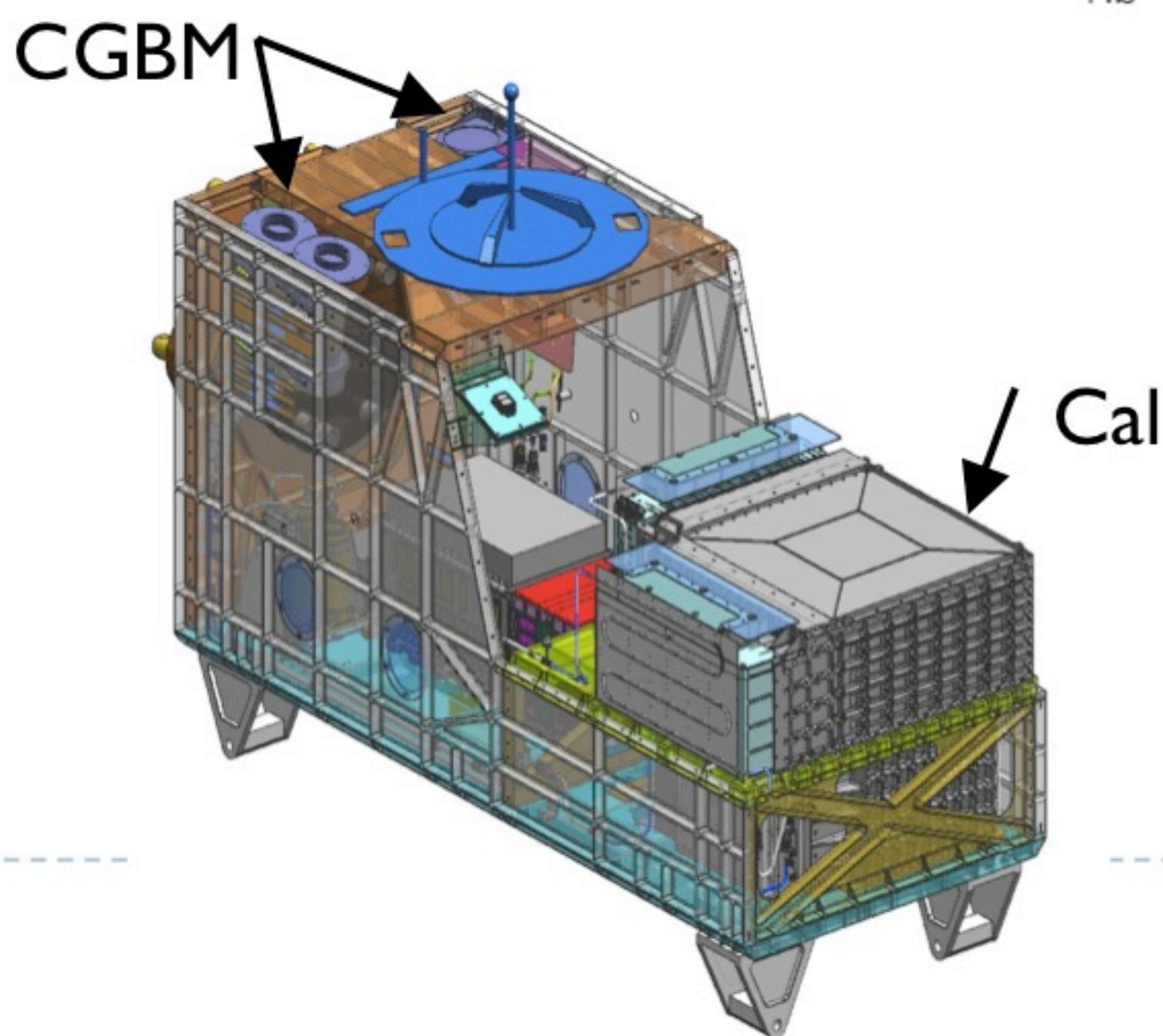
**CALET**



# CALorimetric Electron Telescope (CALET)



CALET has a **thick, fully active calorimeter** that allows measurements well into the TeV energy region with good energy resolution, coupled with **imaging upper calorimeter** to accurately identify the starting point of electromagnetic showers; to **separate electrons from the abundant protons** with selection power  $>10^5$ .



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  - ▶ CREAM, TRACER
  - ▶ ISS-CREAM

## CREAM



## CREAM

### **Cosmic Ray Energetics and Mass**

- GCR nuclei from H to Fe
- from ~10 GeV (C) to ~500 TeV for p & He
- 966 kg (2126 lbs)
- 5 Flights to date – 156 days at float
- Variety of subsystems employed

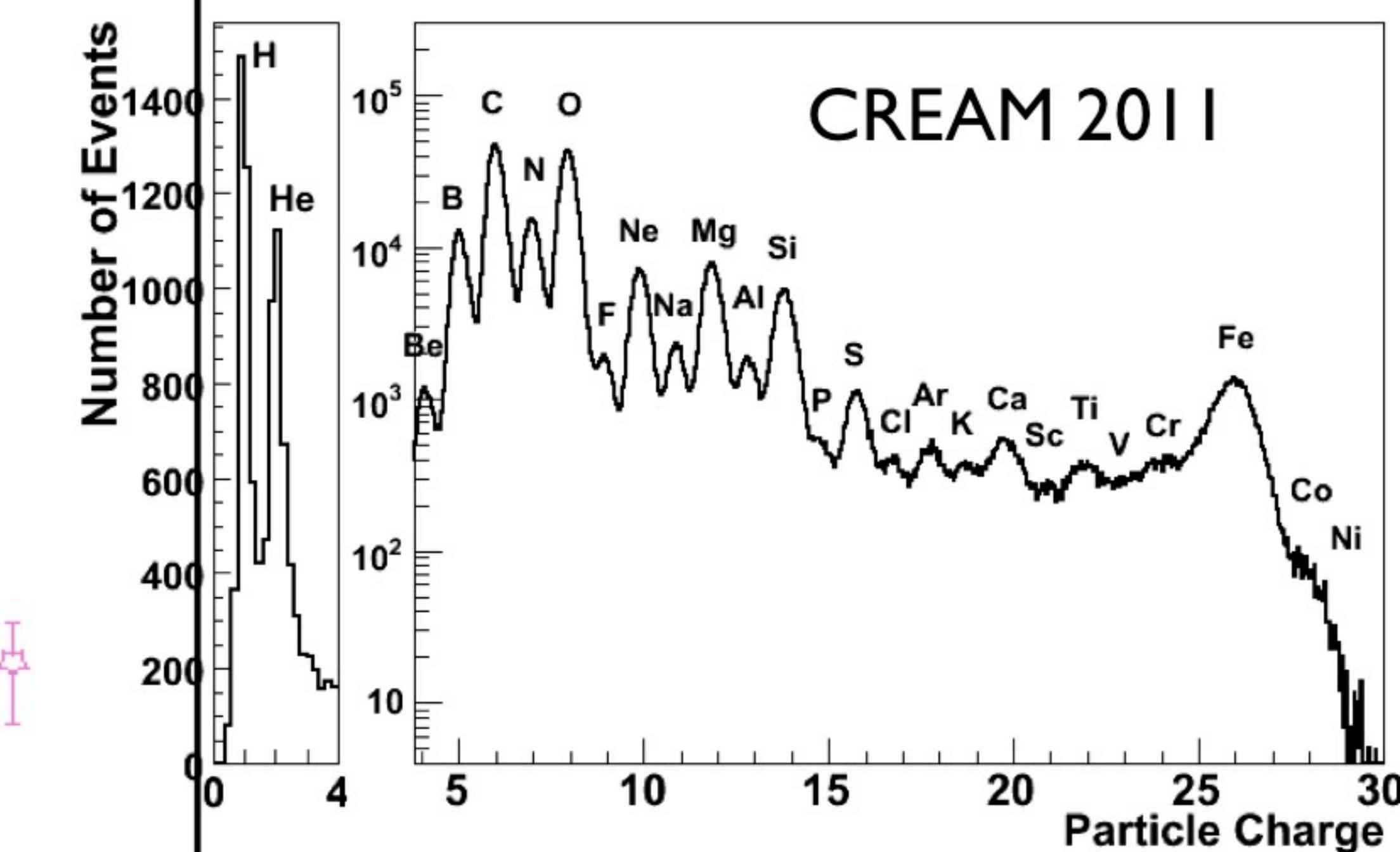
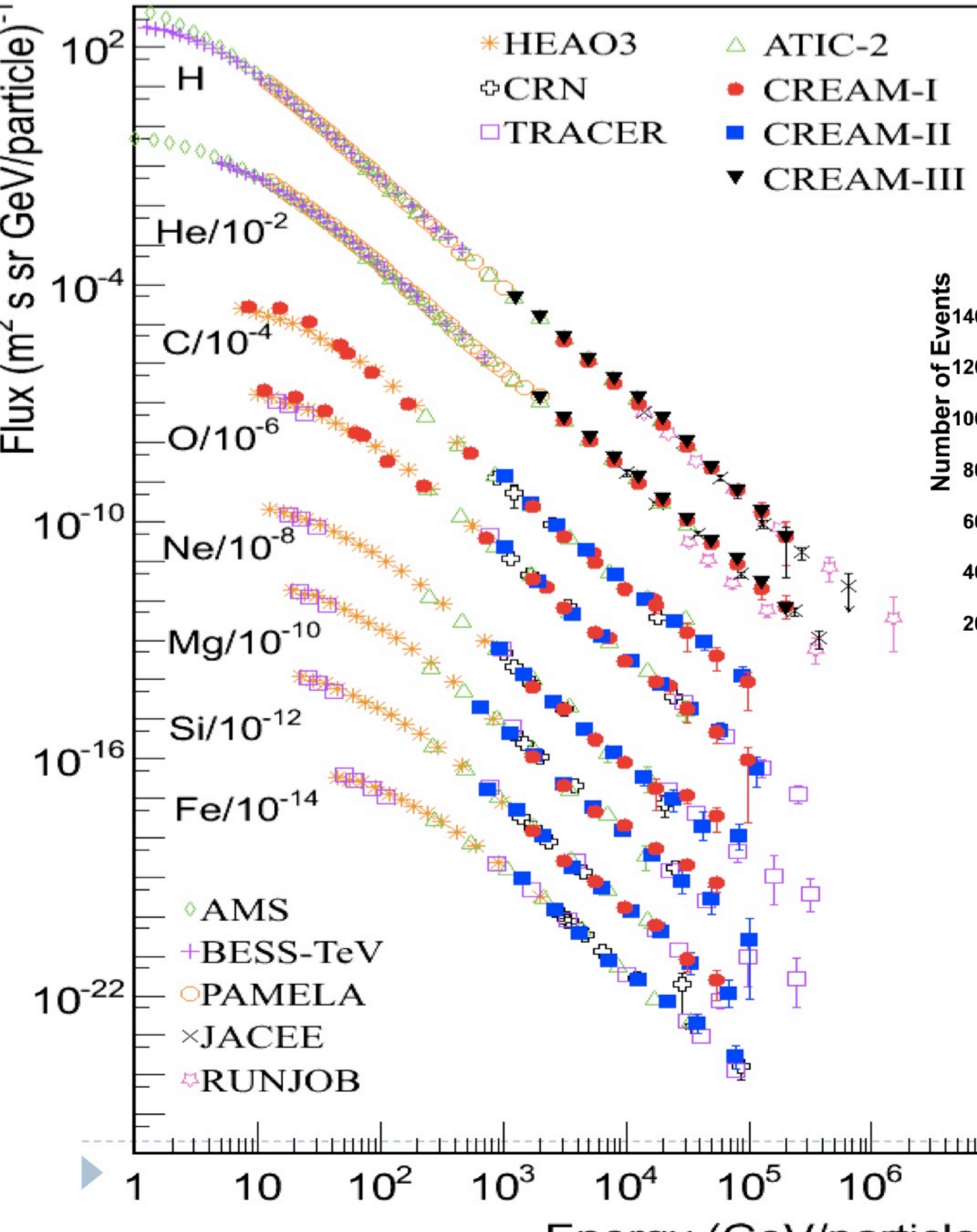
## TRACER

### **Transition Radiation Array for Cosmic Energetic Radiation**

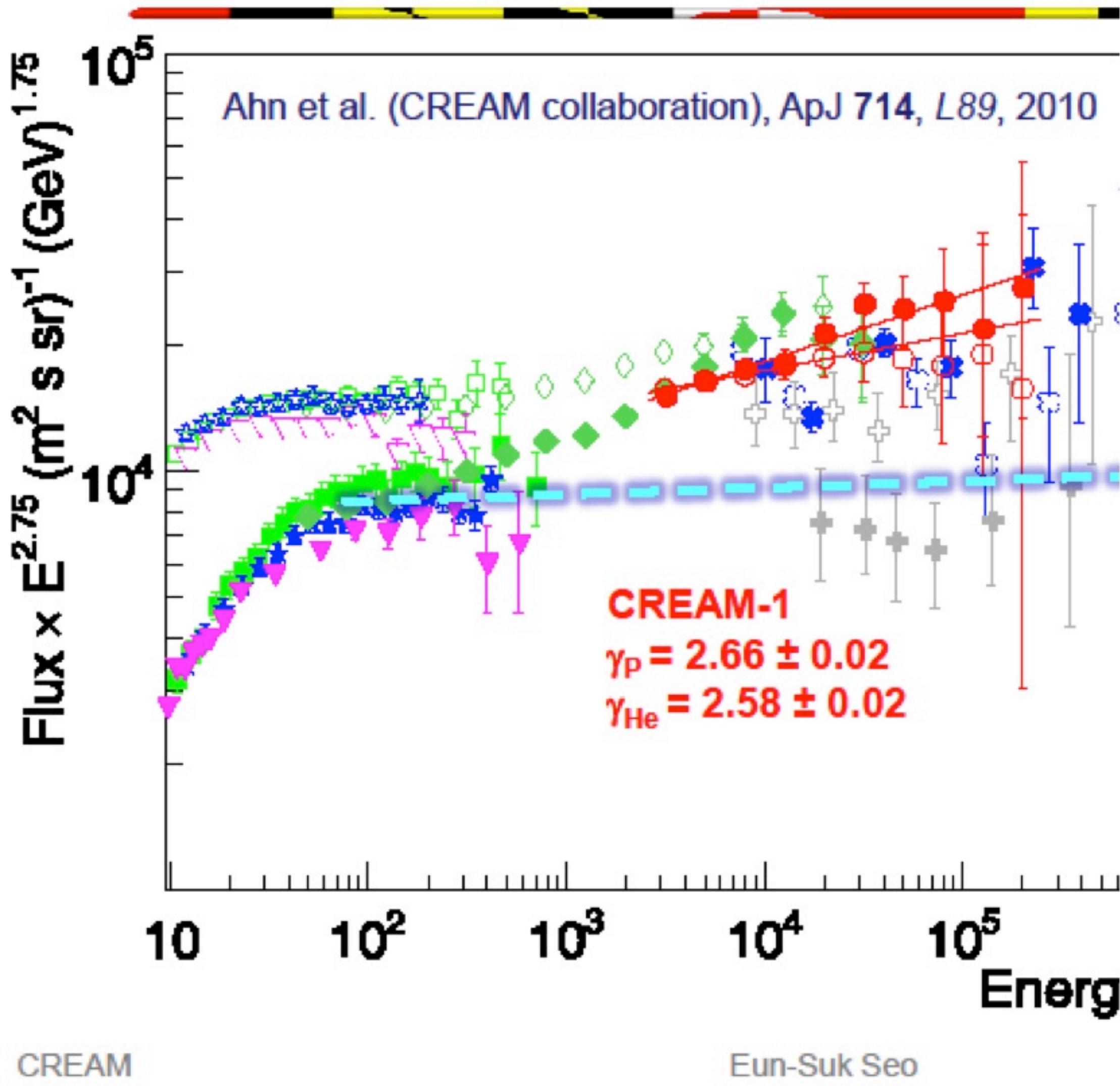
- Direct measurements of O to Fe
- from ~50 GeV to several 100 TeV;
- $5 \text{ m}^2 \text{ sr}$
- 1614 kg (3550 lbs)
- Flights in 2003 (Antarctica) and 2006 (Sweden)



# Hi-Z Energy Spectra

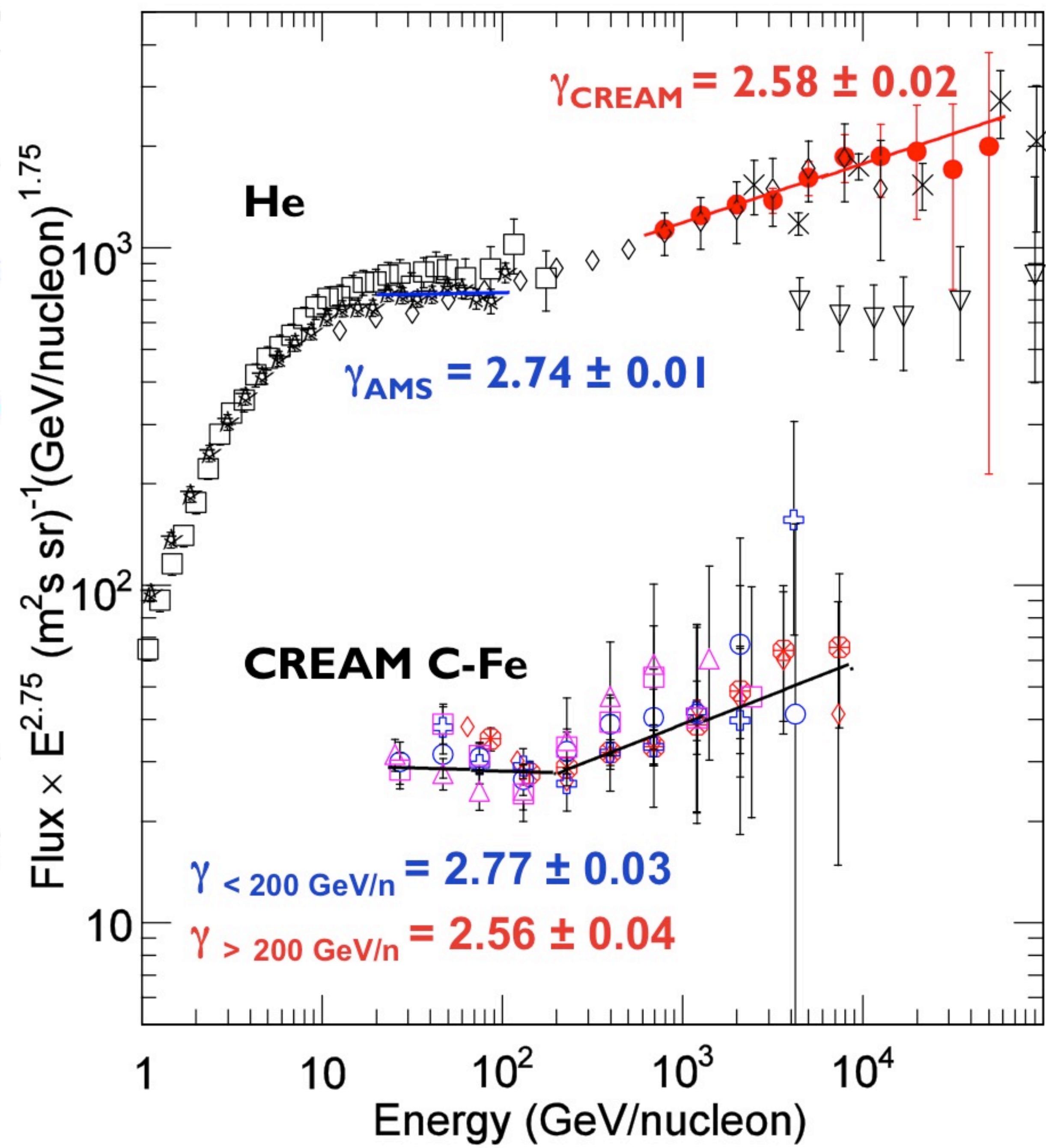


**CREAM: p & He spectra are not the same**



CREAM

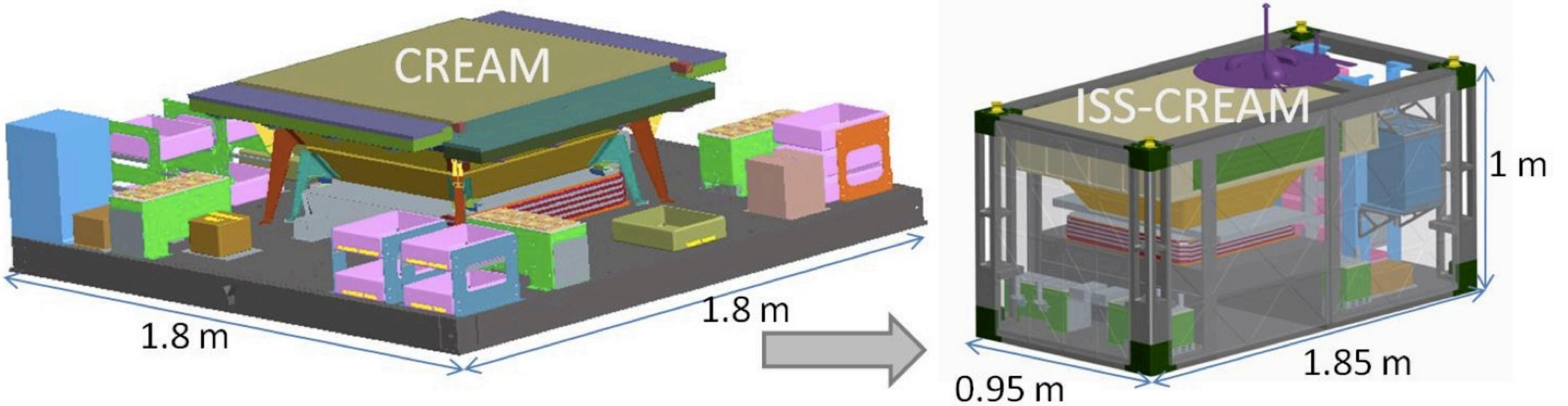
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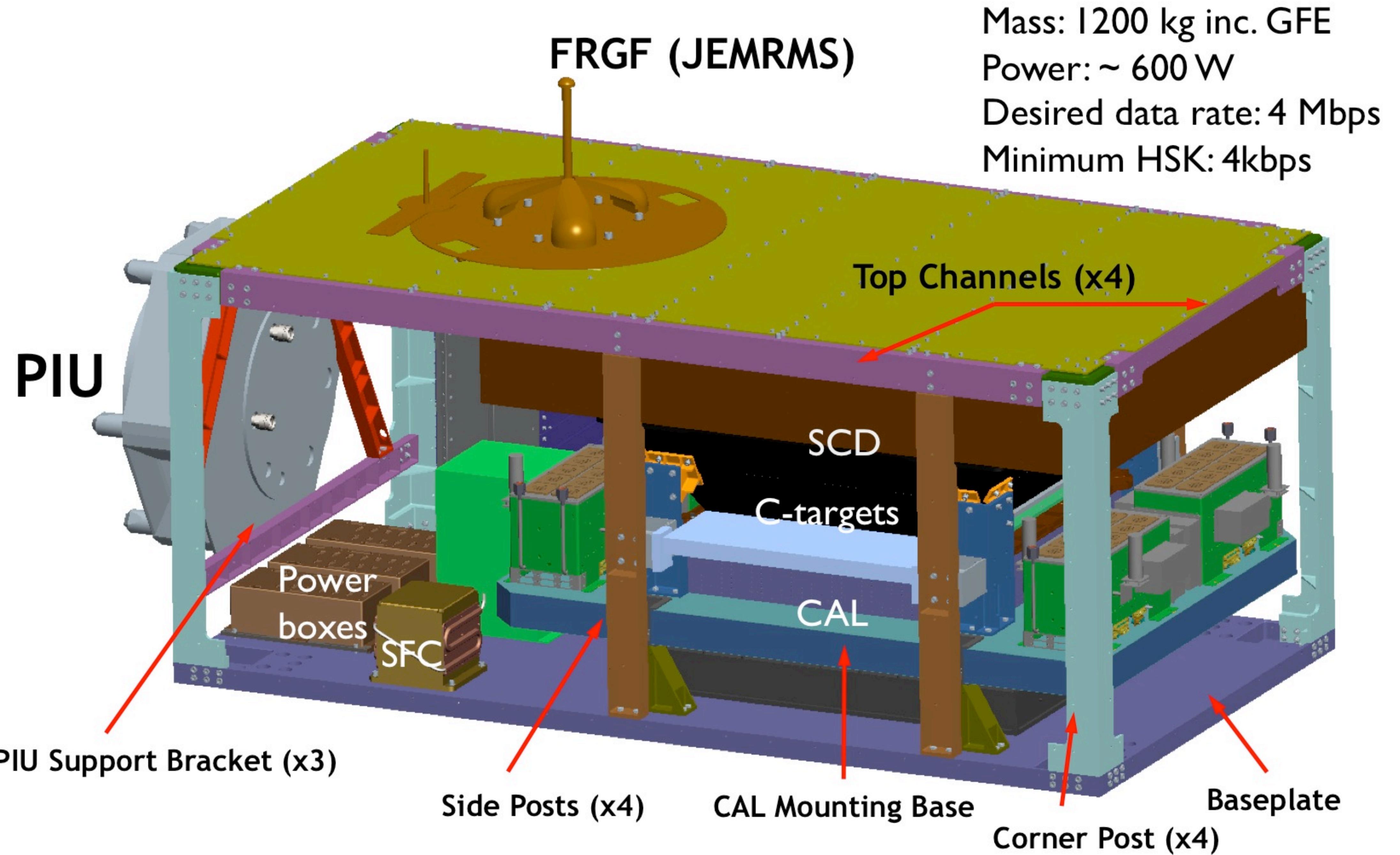
**Not a single power law!**

# From CREAM to ISS-CREAM

- ▶ ISS ideal for  $> 10 \times$  increase in exposure
- ▶ launch 2014 by Space X
- ▶ CREAM re-packaged for accommodation on the Japanese Experiment Module Exposed Facility (JEM-EF).



# ISS-CREAM payload



# Opportunities in Space

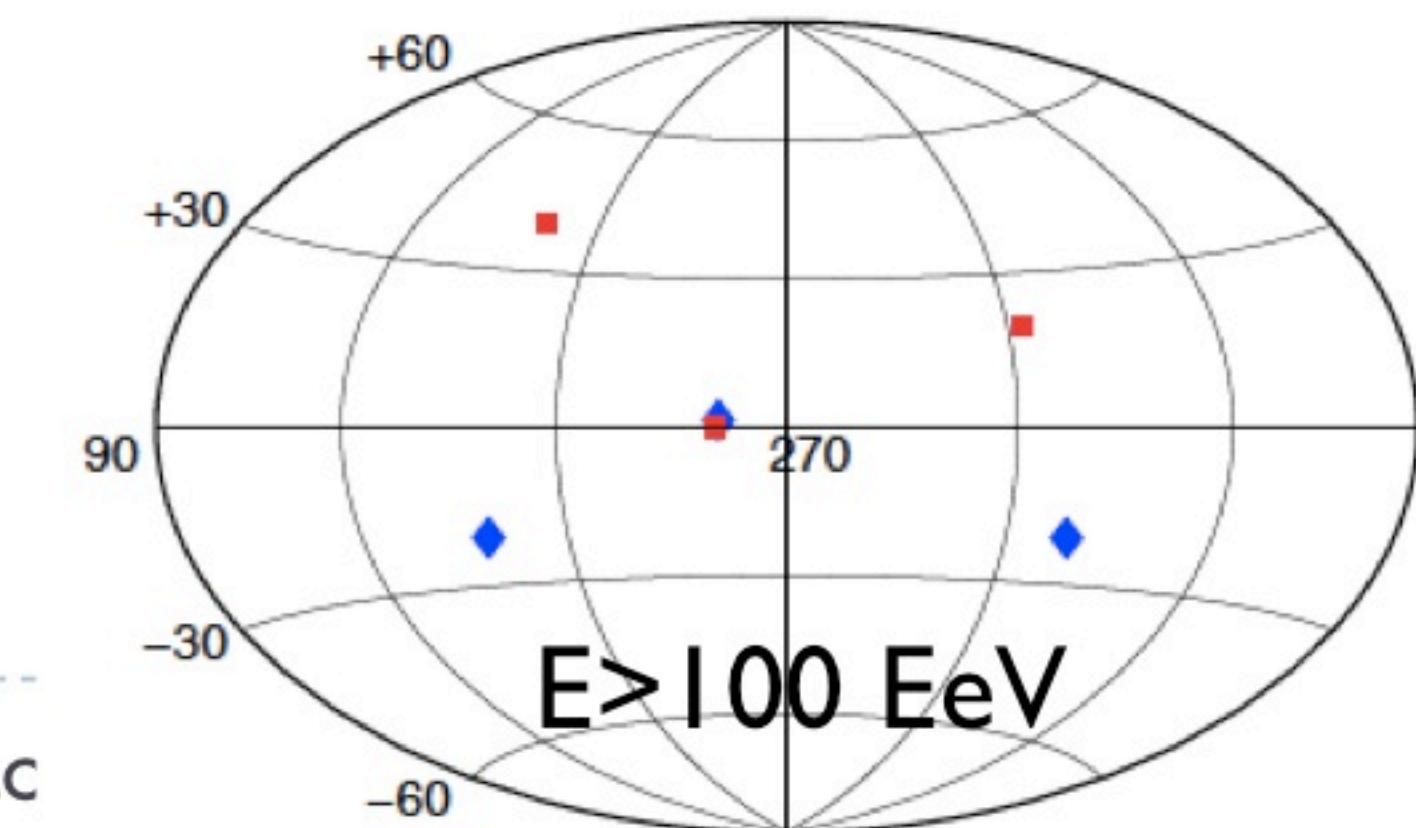
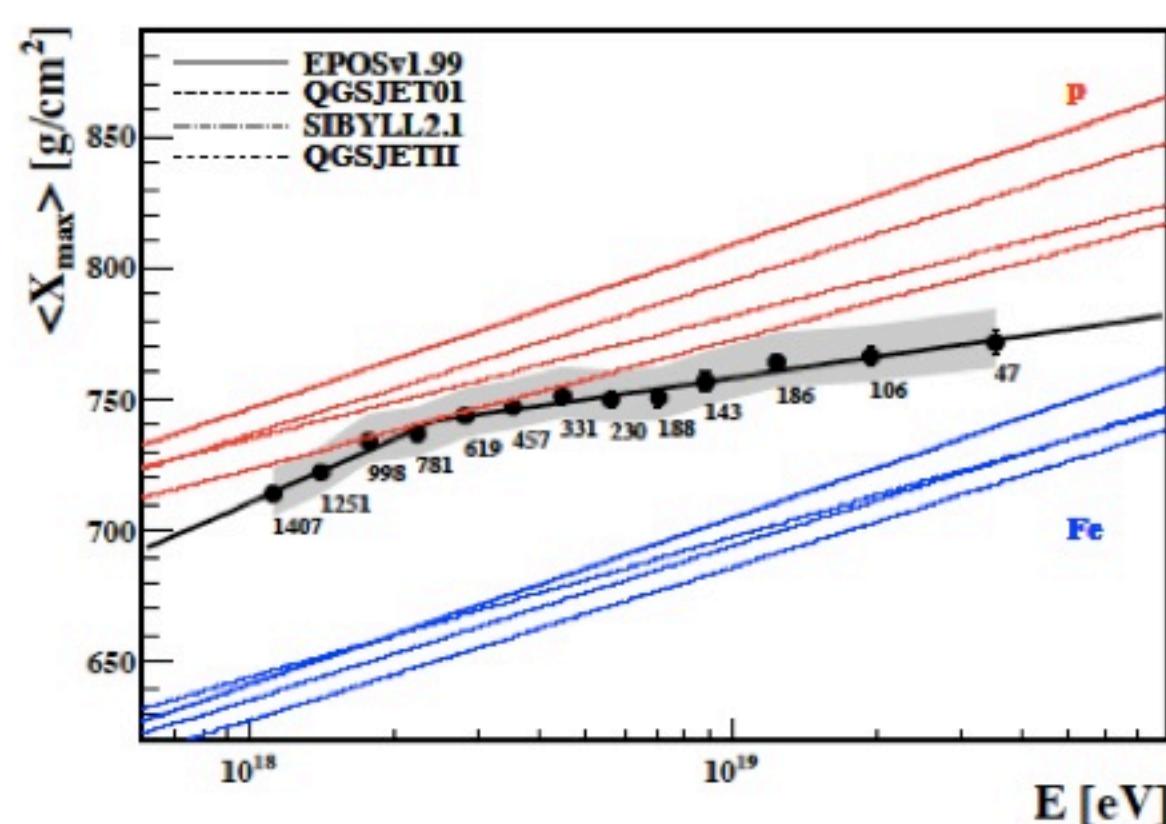
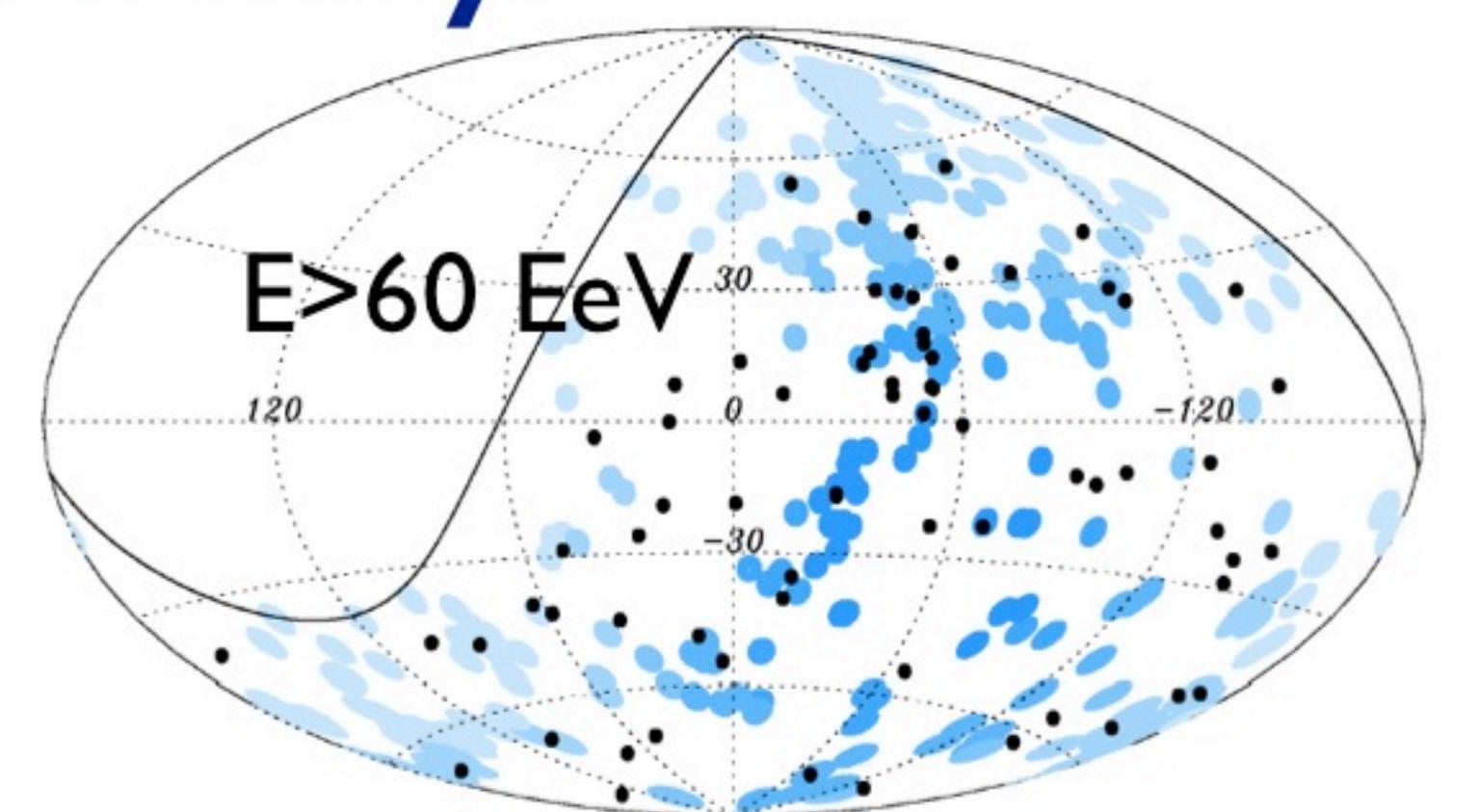
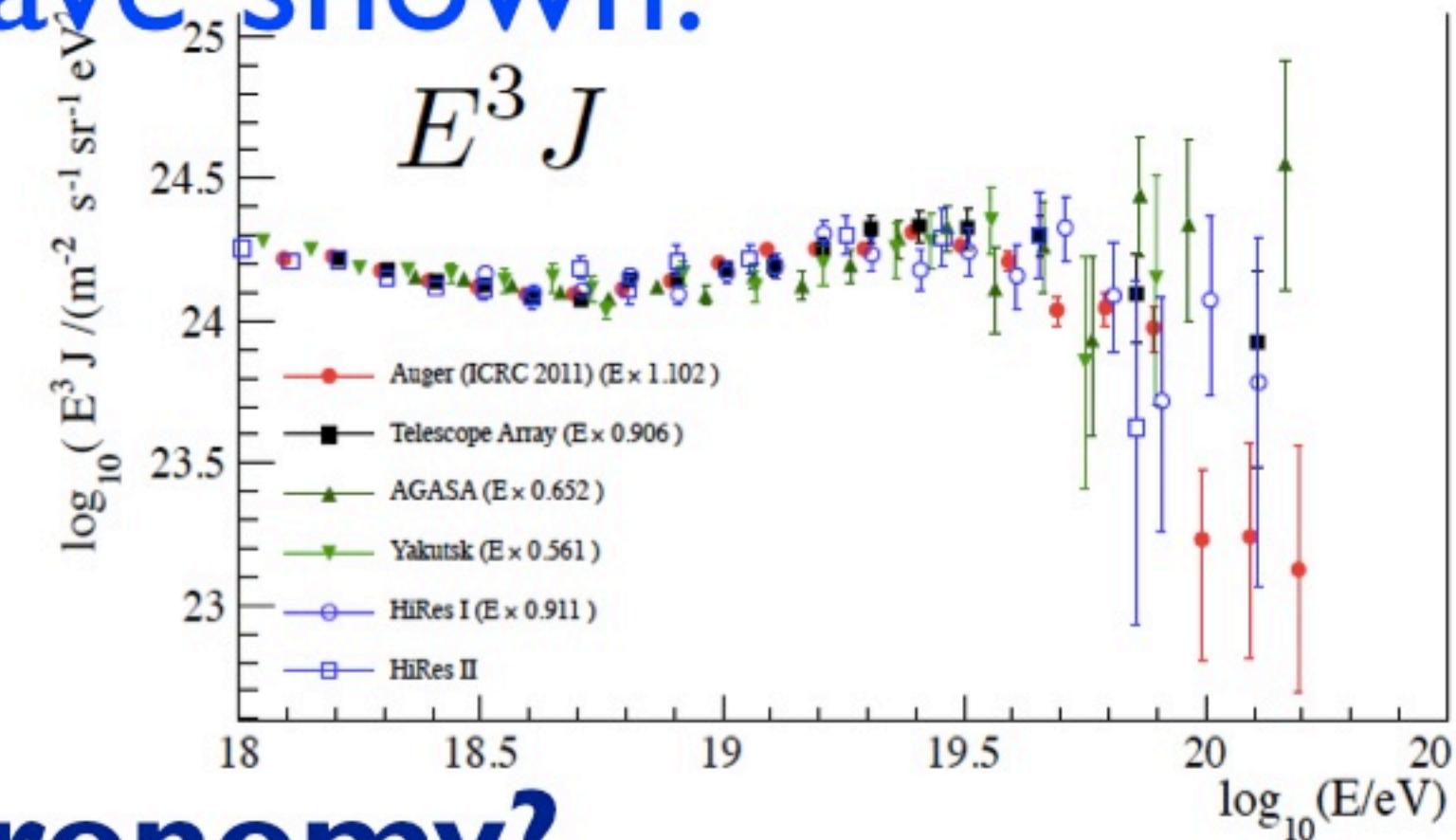
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  - ▶ JEM-EUSO
  - ▶ OWL/PATEL

# Ultrahigh to Extremely High Energies

- ▶ **Ground-based UHECR Observatories have shown:**  
**(Auger & HiRes/Telescope Array)**

- ▶ The spectrum has a feature  $> 40$  EeV
- ▶ possibly due to CMB (GZK\* effect?)
- ▶  $E > 60$  EeV – hints of anisotropy – **CR Astronomy?**
- ▶ Hadronic Interaction &/or Composition  
is surprising  $> 40$  EeV

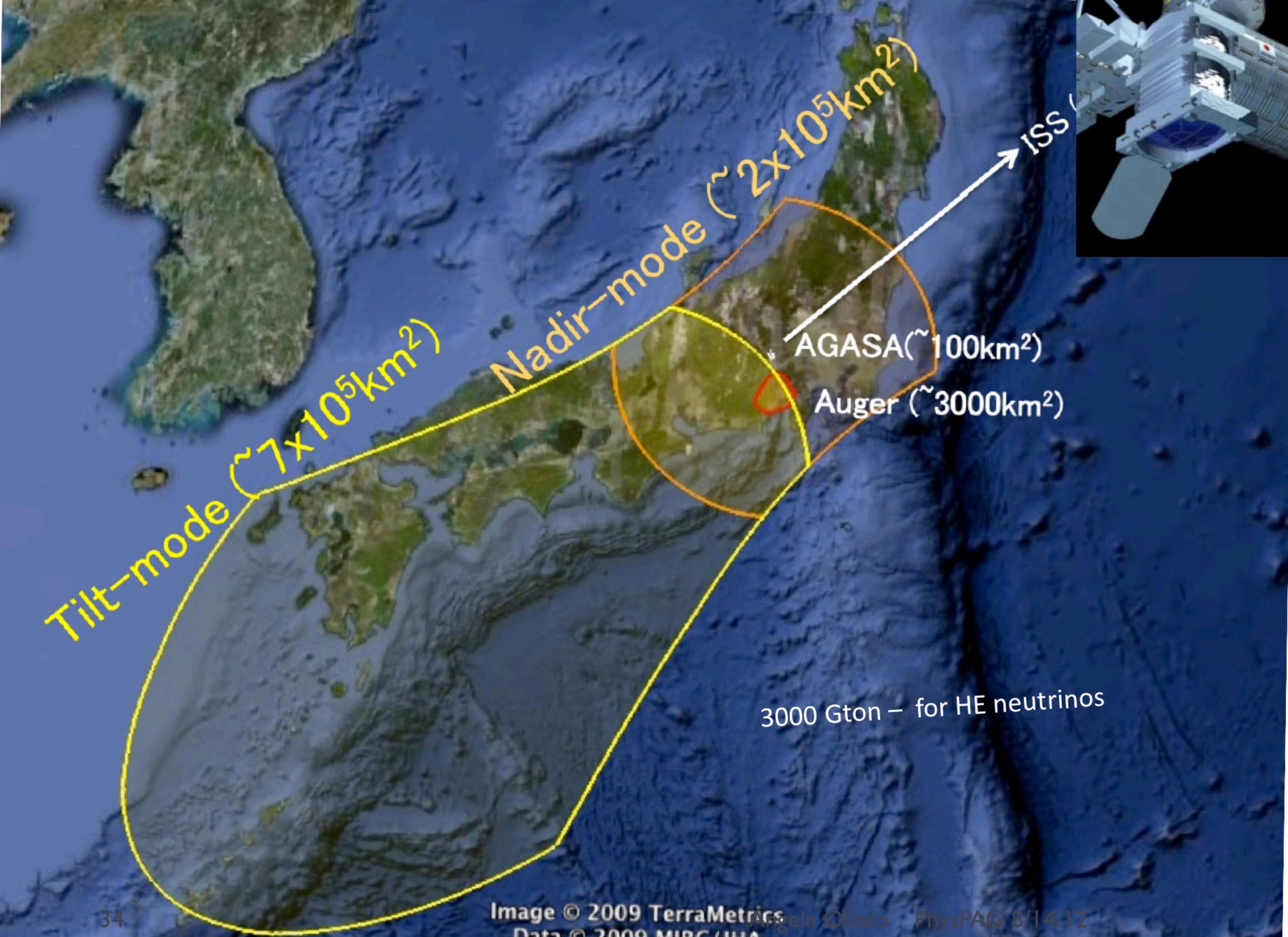


- But only  
~ 1 event  $> 100$  EeV/year ( $\sim 30$ w  $> 60$  EeV/year)

# JEM-EUSO Mission

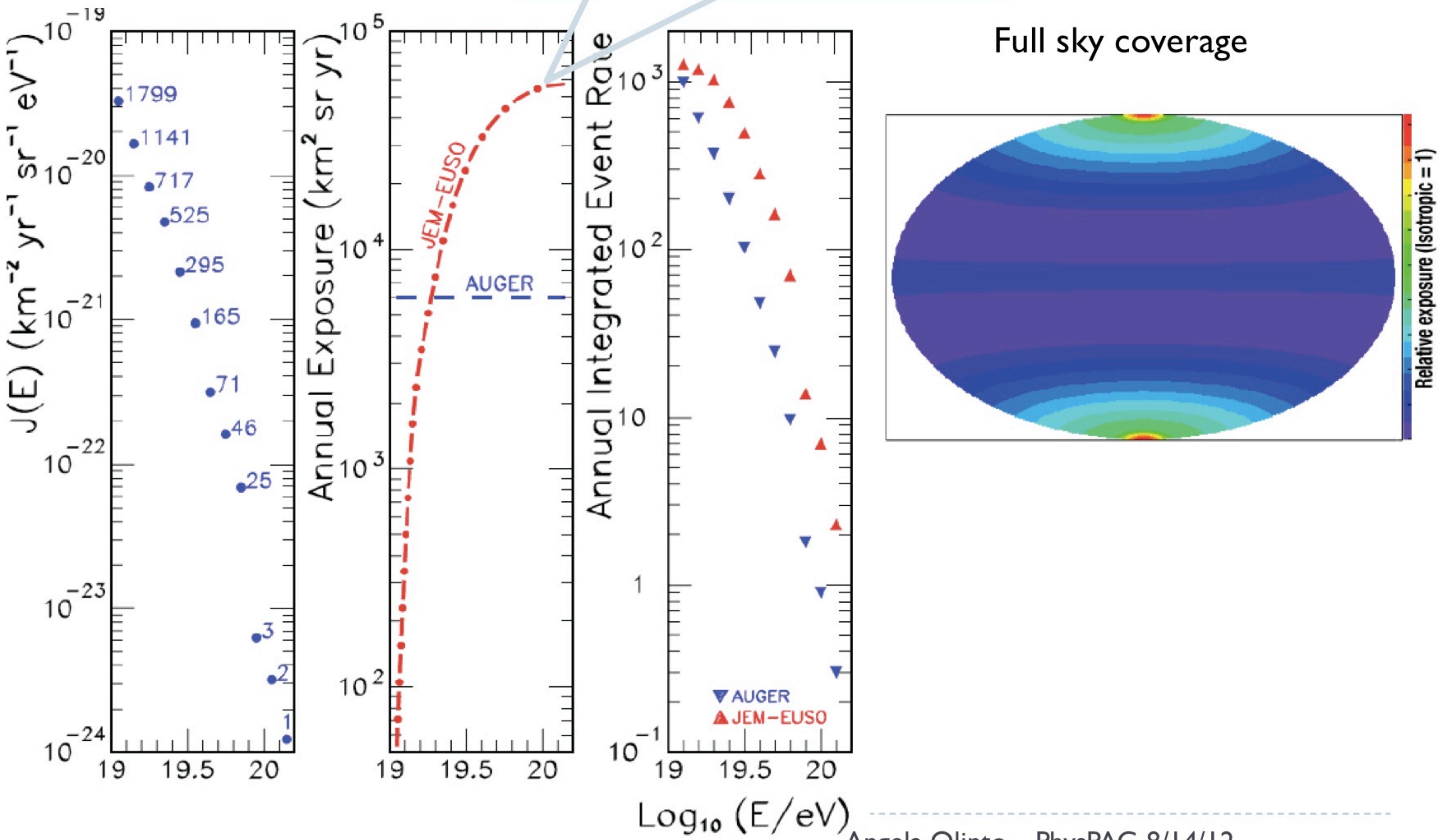
Extreme Universe Space Observatory  
on the Japanese Experiment Module  
on the International Space Station

Collaboration of  
13 countries,  
77 institutions  
> 250 scientists

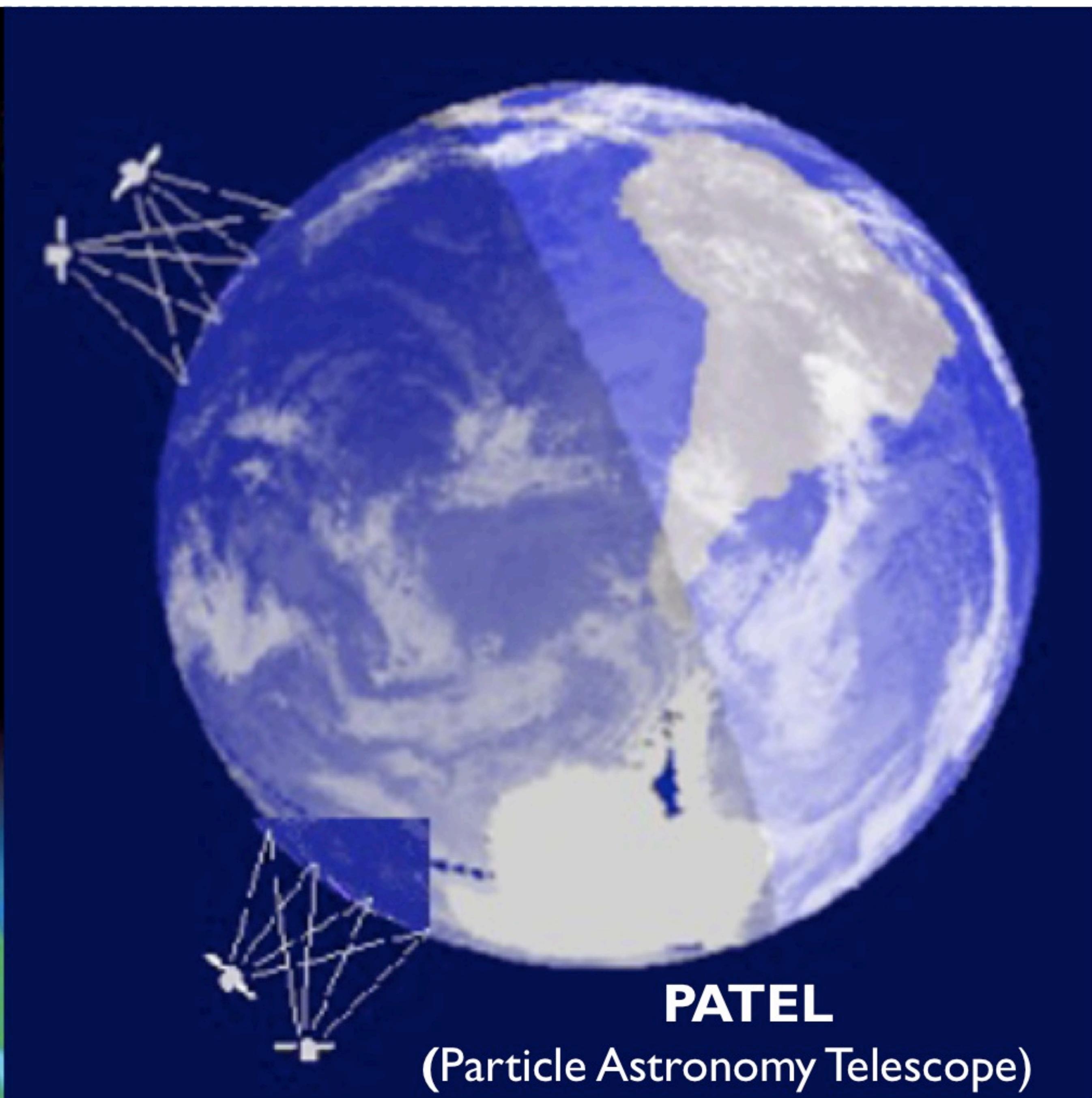
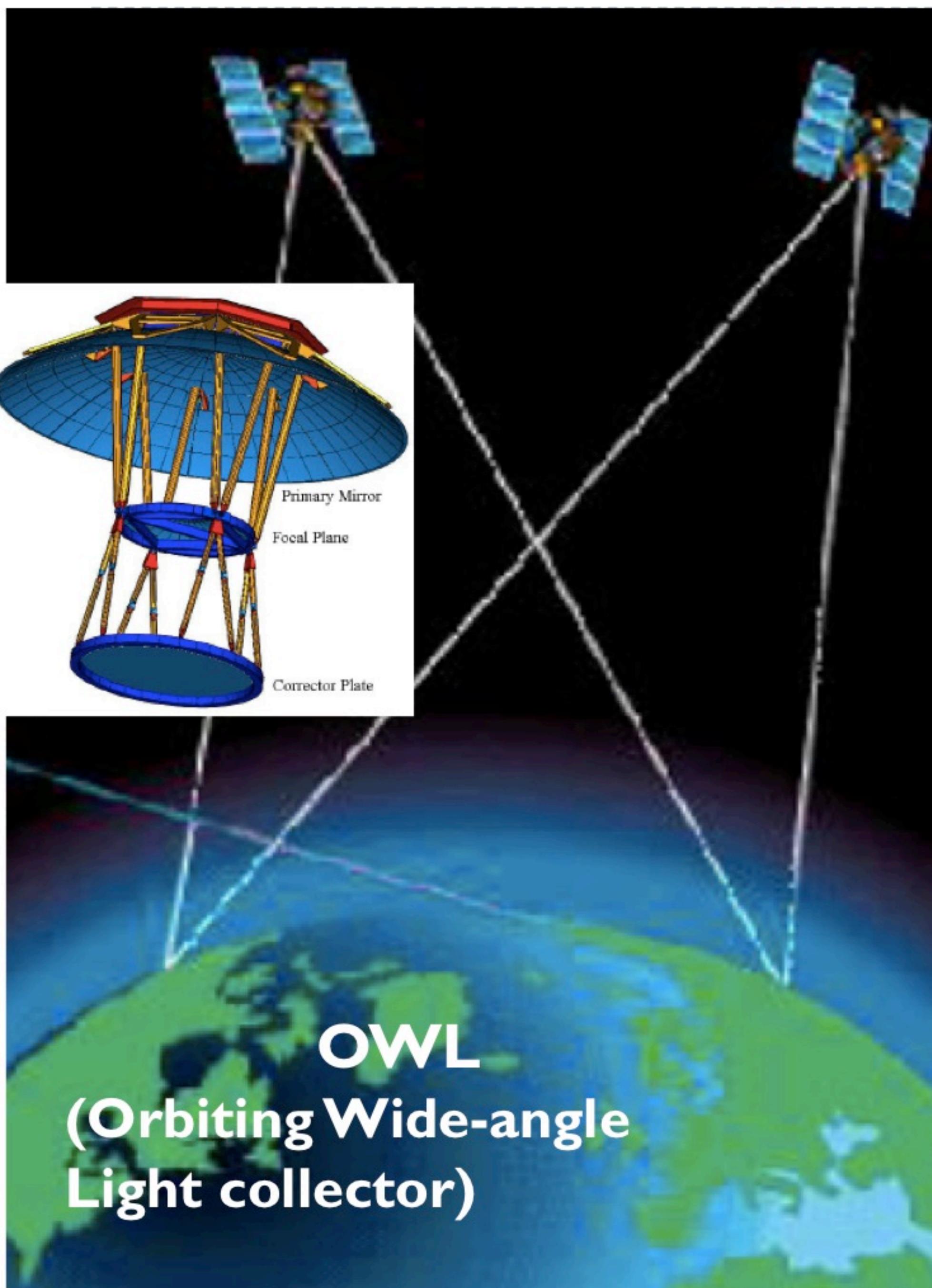


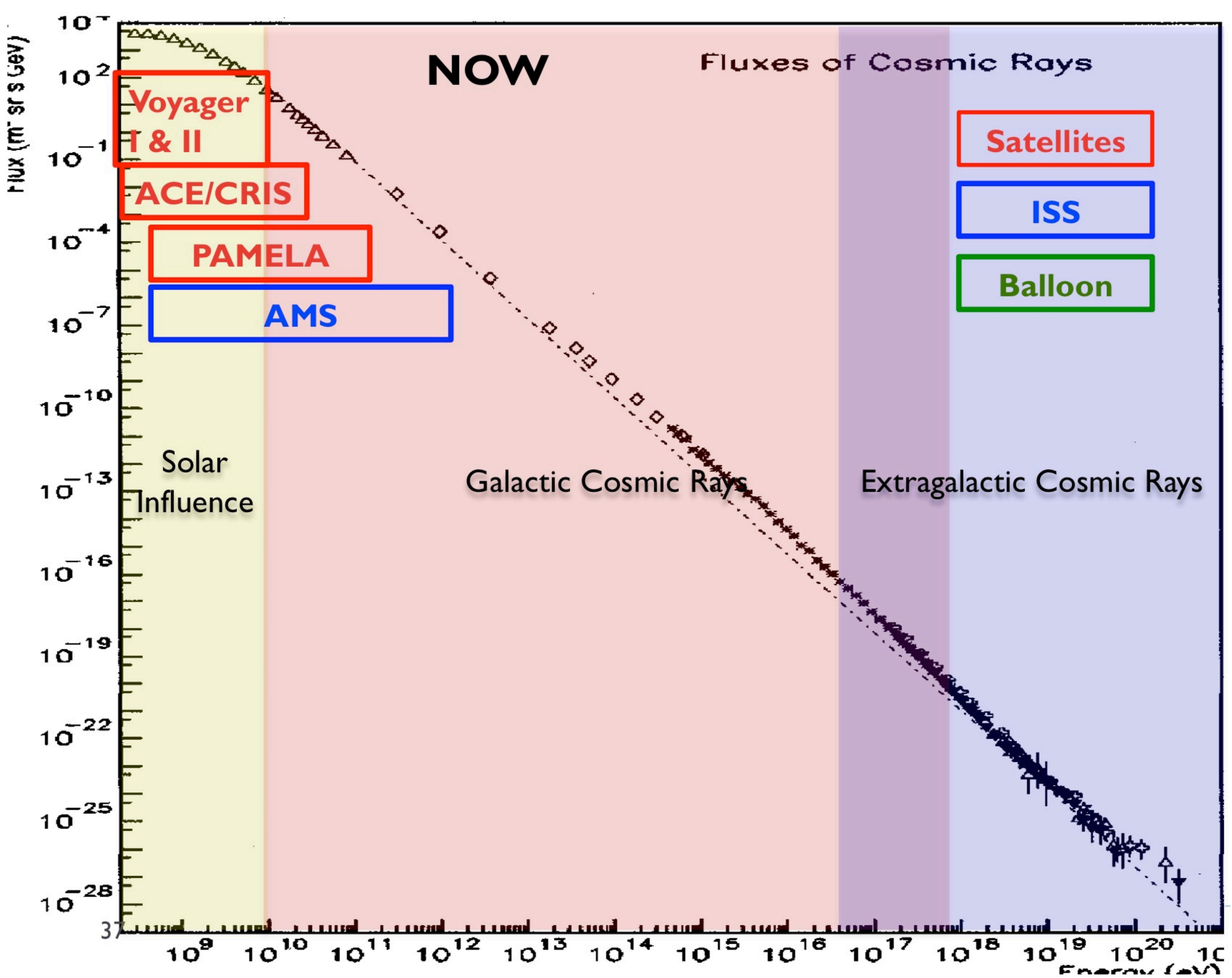
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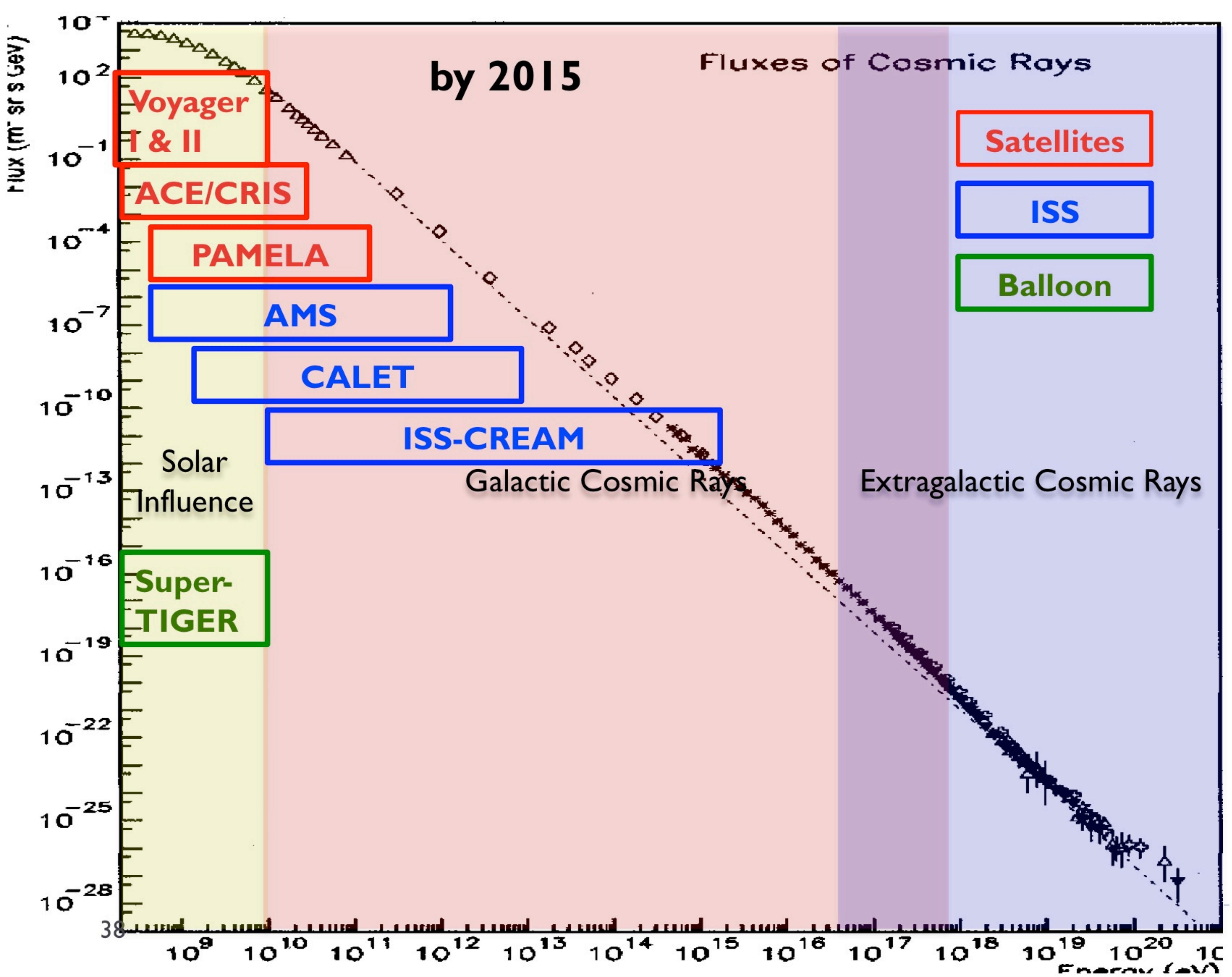
annual exposure:  
10 x Auger ( $3,000 \text{ km}^2$ )  
 $6 \cdot 10^4 \text{ km}^2 \text{ sr yr}$

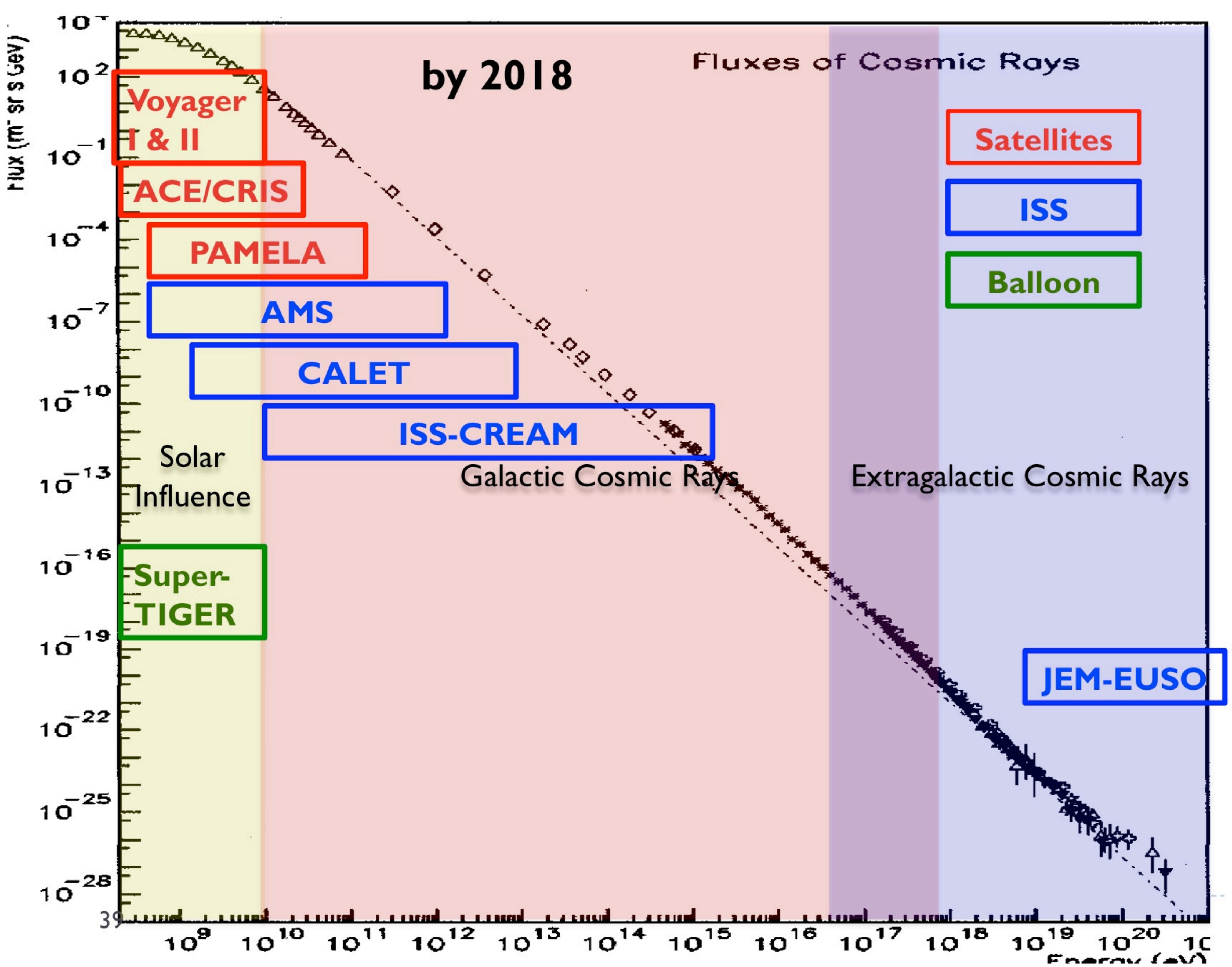


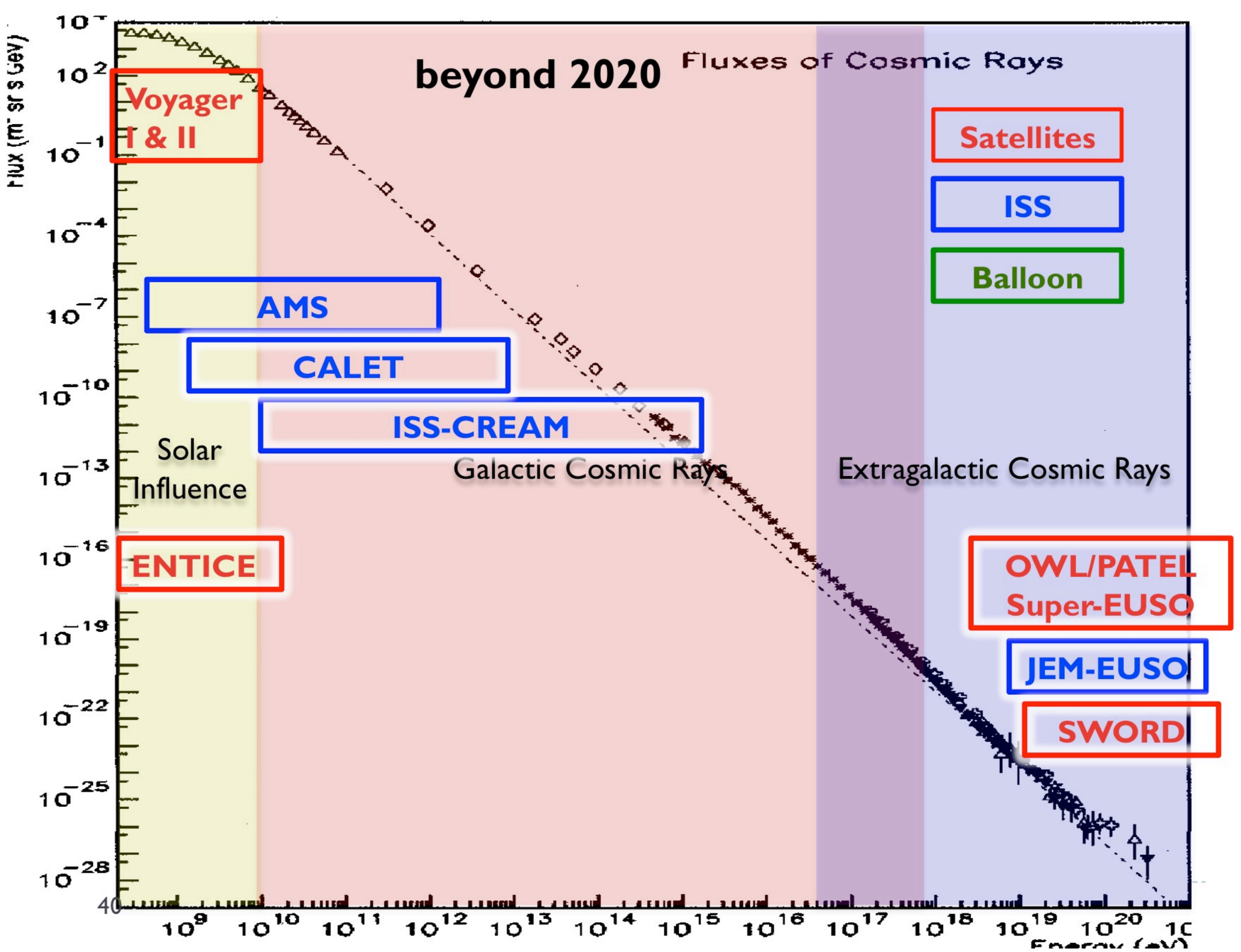
# CR Astronomy > 60 EeV (limit~ $3 \times 10^6$ events/yr)











# 2011 NASA STRATEGIC PLAN

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- ▶ Strategic Goal I: Extend and sustain human activities across the solar system.
  - ▶ I.I Sustain the operation and full use of the International Space Station (ISS) and expand efforts to utilize the **ISS as a National Laboratory for scientific, technological, diplomatic, and educational** purposes and for supporting future objectives in human space exploration.
- ▶ Strategic Goal #2:
  - ▶ 2.4 Discover how the universe works, explore how it began and evolved, and search for Earth-like planets.
- ▶ Strategic Goal #6:
  - ▶ NASA offers structured programs for students and college faculty to engage in STEM learning activities suchas competing in technical design challenges, launching student-built **payloads**, and participating in research andhands-on engineering experiences using real-world platforms, including **high-altitude balloons**, sounding rockets, aircraft, and space satellites.

# Space Opportunities for Cosmic Ray Science



Long Live the ISS!